



Students Sexually Assaulted

By STEPHANIE TAIT
News Editor

University police received four reports of sexual assault over the past two weeks.

Two of the assaults occurred off campus, one in Stafford County and one in Fredericksburg.

"Understanding that crimes of this nature are random and unpredictable, it's still without precedent here during my tenure," said James Snipes, chief of police for the University.

Snipes, who has been with University police for five years, said police received only one report of sexual assault last year.

This year's first assault, reported Sept. 3, involved a 20-year-old female resident of Westmoreland Hall. The report stated the suspect was driving the victim home from an off-campus party in Stafford County when he allegedly pulled off the road into a parking lot and raped the victim.

Residence life reported the second assault to police on behalf of the student. The report stated that, sometime over Labor Day weekend, a male student sexually assaulted a female student at an off-campus party in Fredericksburg.

The third incident, also reported to police by residence life, occurred between the late evening of Sept. 2 and the early morning of Sept. 3, and involved a female resident of Mason Hall.

According to the report, the victim was assaulted by a male residential student after the two returned from an off-campus party.

Snipes said police referred the student to the Health Center and Psychological Services. She did not want to file a charges.

The fourth and most recent report involved an 18-year-old female student of Russell Hall. According to the report, a male student entered the victim's room and laid on top of her.

Neither Stafford County nor Fredericksburg authorities could be reached for comment.



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An inside shot of the University Tennis Center, which will hold an open house Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Tennis, Anyone?

By BRITTANY DeVRIES &
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After months of construction and several delays, the University Tennis Center is finished. The official ribbon-cutting ceremony took place at this weekend's Board of Visitors meeting, and the University will host an open house Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The tennis center came at a cost—roughly \$4.5 million.

About \$2 million of the money came through the contribution of several alumni and private endowments. Rick Hurley executive vice president and chief financial officer, said the names of the donors were confidential.

The school borrowed \$2.5 million from the

state treasury, which is being repaid through institutional funds, including student fees, Hurley said.

The current annual operating cost for the center is estimated at \$150,000.

Ed Hegmann, athletic director, said the University will offset this cost by charging usage fees. The center will provide several different rate options for students and the community. The varsity teams pay a lump sum to use the center, Hegmann said.

To use the indoor courts, tennis players must pay a court fee, which is between \$4 and \$8, for between one and two hours of singles play. Outdoor courts are free.

The rates are higher for faculty members,

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What Does It Cost?

Students (Per Person)

Singles: \$4/hr, \$6/90 mins., \$8/2 hrs.

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Call Don Patrick at 654-2483 or visit the open house Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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Junior Jeffrey Dell fills up his Dodge Durango at a cost of \$40.

Gas Prices High

By CARA SCHULZ
Staff Writer

There's no doubt about it: Gas is necessary.

With this summer's higher gas prices, people across the nation are feeling the pain at the pump, and students at the University of Mary Washington are no exception.

The student body itself is experiencing the bulk of the impact, but the high costs of oil will even eventually influence the campus as a whole.

According to John Wiltenmuth, the associate vice president of facility services, the high gas prices are not yet affecting the state-vehicle usage.

However, Wiltenmuth also said an impact is foreseeable. The increase could ultimately concern campus groups.

"Fuel costs spread to multiple points," he said. "Groups are charged at a pre-established rate for mileage."

According to Wiltenmuth, an increase in gas prices would mean the price per mile groups are charged would also increase, which would therefore affect the group's overall budget.

As for the utility vehicles, the price increase would come from "the operating funds for facility services," Wiltenmuth said.

Students are now faced with a dilemma.

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Voyeurs Become Bigger Problem For Students

By MELINA RODRIGUEZ
Staff Writer

On Sept. 5, Elizabeth Krietsch, a junior at the University of Mary Washington, and her roommates, reported a voyeur at their residence, 902 Wolfe Street.

Krietsch and her roommates had just turned off all of the lights in the house when they heard a loud, unidentified noise come from outside.

"The two girls sharing the downstairs room heard a loud banging on their window, and a motion light went on outside," Krietsch said. "We then called the police."

Police arrived and informed Krietsch and her roommates that their shed door was open. According to Krietsch, the door had been closed earlier that evening.

"One of our screens was also removed from one of the windows," Krietsch said.

None of the residents were able to see the perpetrator and Fredericksburg police do not currently have any leads, according to Krietsch.

Voyeurism is not an uncommon occurrence at the University of Mary Washington and surrounding areas.

In the Oct. 21, 2004 issue of *The Bullet* there were already three reported incidents of voyeurism at the UMW campus.

"When you have that many females at a school, [voyeurism] tends to be a problem," said Jim Shelhorse, Fredericksburg Police spokesman.

According to Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary, a voyeur is "one who habitually seeks sexual stimulation by visual means or a prying

observer who is usually seeking the sordid or the scandalous."

Recently there have also been several reports of voyeurism in the Fredericksburg area surrounding the UMW campus.

On Aug. 22, a voyeur was reported on Hanover Street and within an hour another incident was reported on Seacobeck Street.

According to Shelhorse, the first incident occurred around 10:40 p.m. in the 1300 block of Hanover Street.

"There were two instances in one night, but we do not believe they are related," Shelhorse said.

According to Shelhorse, a 36-year-old woman was putting on lotion after a shower when she saw a red light flash at her window.

The woman saw someone moving outside and her husband went out after him, but the man got away, according to Shelhorse.

The man was described as 6 feet, 6 inches tall, of large build, with light hair and dark clothing. Shelhorse said they were unable to identify his race.

Around 50 minutes later, another voyeur was reported in the 1300 block of Seacobeck Street.

In this incident, a 23-year-old woman reported she was in her apartment watching television and talking on the phone when she saw a man outside her window.

She described the man as a white male with grayish hair and a dark cap and shirt, around 40 years old.

According to Shelhorse, Fredericksburg police did not get a good description of either suspect.

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5 Day Forecast



TODAY
T-Storms

High: 92
Low: 66



FRIDAY
T-storms

High: 95
Low: 58



SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy

High: 81
Low: 63



SUNDAY
Sunny

High: 90
Low: 67



MONDAY
Sunny

High: 83
Low: 51

Verbatim...

"I haven't scored yet, so it felt good."

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Police Beat

By STEPHANIE TAIT
News Editor



Sept. 11—An officer on parking duty spotted a student riding a skateboard the wrong way down Double Drive. The officer warned the student, an 18-year-old male resident of Russell Hall, and completed an administrative referral.

Sept. 12—At 8:30 a.m., a 20-year-old female resident of the UMW Apartments reported to police that between Sept. 10 and Sept. 12 someone broke the antenna off of her BMW. Damages are estimated at \$100. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 13—At 11:34 p.m., police received a report of two students climbing onto the roof of Melchers Hall. According to police, an officer arrived and located the students on the roof of duPont Hall. The students, two 19-year-old females and one 18-year-old male resident of Russell Hall and one 18-year-old male resident of Mason Hall, told police they were looking for a "quiet spot." Police released the students unharmed and completed an administrative referral.

Sept. 14—At 1:53 p.m., an 18-year-old female resident of Virginia Hall reported to police that between 1 and 1:30 p.m. someone stole her Vera Bradley tote bag from the racks at Seacobeck Hall while she was eating dinner. The bag and its contents are valued at \$163. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 14—At 8:39 p.m., a 35-year-old female resident of Fredericksburg reported to police that her son, a 12-year-old male resident of Fredericksburg, assaulted her with a stick during an argument. According to police, Tamar Franklin was at the Battlegrounds with her children waiting to exchange them with their father, who was not present. The two are in the middle of a divorce. Police issued Franklin a trespass warning.

Sept. 15—At 1:20 p.m., residence life staff contacted police to assist in an administrative search of a room in Willard Hall. Police searched the room and recovered nitrous oxide inhalant paraphernalia, two baggies with a substance resembling marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia. Residence life handled the situation.

Sept. 15—At 6:57 p.m., a police officer observed a 21-year-old male resident of Randolph Hall riding a black-and-orange

motor scooter at high speeds on campus walk. The officer identified the student and discovered the student was operating the motor scooter on a suspended license. Police arrested Elliott M. Jones in connection with charges of reckless driving with a suspended license and transported him to the regional jail.

Sept. 16—At 12:37 a.m., a police officer on duty witnessed a 20-year-old resident of Marshall Hall carrying a 12-pack of Milwaukee's Best beer on campus walk. According to police, the officer issued Zachary Bennett a court summons for underage possession of alcohol and referred the matter to residence life.

Sept. 16—At 5:12 p.m., residence life staff reported to police that two males, one a 20-year-old male resident of Willard Hall and one a 20-year-old male former student and resident of Willard Hall, were threatening each other. According to police, the matter was referred to residence life.

Sept. 16—A 21-year-old female resident of the UMW Apartments reported to police that between 2:10 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. someone vandalized her gray Toyota Camry. According to police, the vehicle appeared as though someone ran over the top of the car, damaging the trunk, roof and hood of the vehicle. Damages are estimated at \$2,600. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 17—At 10:05 a.m., residence life staff reported to police that someone discharged a fire extinguisher. The extinguisher was replaced at a cost of \$24. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 17—At 12:19 a.m., residence life staff reported to police that someone vandalized the walls, bulletin boards and dry-erase boards. According to police, investigation led police to a 19-year-old male resident of Bushnell Hall. The resident was questioned and admitted to the vandalism. Police completed an administrative referral.

Sept. 19—At 2:50 p.m., housekeeping reported to police that someone vandalized the men's room at the physical plant. Police found graffiti on a bathroom stall containing racial slurs. Police removed the graffiti. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.



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Ask
The
Newsies

Everytime I walk by the main doors of Simpson Library, I can feel cold air on my legs. Why is the library so cold all the time?

Good question. Why is the library so cold?

Because it just is. LeRoy Strohl, University librarian, said the temperatures are kept cool to purposely keep students out of the library.

Just Kidding! Actually, the library is kept cool because of the books. Any moisture or humidity in the air can damage the pages.

Books, unlike humans, are unable to control their inner temperature—books don't have homeostasis.

Their external temperatures need to be set for them, to avoid damaging decomposition.

Therefore, the thermostats on all floors of the library are set from 69 to 70 degrees. That's 38 degrees above freezing.

The question becomes, does the actual room temperature parallel the thermostat temperature?

No. Strohl said the first floor of the library is usually colder.

"Every time the front doors open they let in a high volume of warm, moist air," he said.

The thermostats then kick in, thinking the room is warmer, and pump out more cold air.

Beth Perkins, head of circulation, said 1,200 to 1,300 people come into the library per day on average.

Every person has to open the doors to come into the library, and they have to open the doors to leave the library.

That means the front doors to Simpson Library are opened 2,400 to 2,600 times a day.

That's a lot of warm air. Strohl said the thermostats have the opposite effect in the winter, and the main floor of the library becomes too warm.

The upper two floors do not experience this influx of air and are able to maintain their set temperatures.

Strohl suggests if students are cold, to avoid studying on the ground floor.

Bottom line: the library has to be cold. It's not a ploy to keep students out of the library.

If anything, the colder temperatures snap students awake.

So, next time you're in the library you can either complain about the temperature or draw animals on the frosted windowpanes.

Katie Teller and Stephanie Tait are The Bulletin's news editors



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Tennis Center Opening, Patrons Will Pay For Use

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and highest for members of the community.

"Rates for the indoor courts were modeled off of William & Mary and Virginia Tech," said Don Patrick, director of the center. "We made sure to keep [the fees] in line with similar facilities."

But until Oct. 3, it's free for everyone. Don Patrick, director of the center, said there will be an "extended open house," beginning Monday. An open house will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pablo Antonio Farkas Marcas, a freshman tennis player at UMW, believes charging UMW students is a good idea.

"[The center] will be in big demand once it

opens," he said. "A lot of people play tennis here. Without a fee, it would be mobbed."

However, some students say they shouldn't have to pay.

"Students should not have to pay their own university for the use of an athletic facility," said Christopher Chen, a freshman at Mary Washington. "It should be included in our tuition."

Katharin Pappas also disagrees with the student fees. "[Six dollars] is really overpriced, especially for only an hour and a half of play time," said Pappas, a freshman at the University. "Why would you pay to use the indoor courts when it is free to play outside?"

But Hegmann said everything comes at a cost.

"You have to light it and heat it and cool it," he said. "There's expenses."

Other rate options include a time-allotted membership fee plus a contract court time rate, a random court play rate, or a public court fee.

The center is also planning tournaments, programs, lessons and activities for all levels of player ability.

Officials said there were playing the waiting game on several aspects of the center, which caused delays in opening.

Waiting for each coat of paint to dry on the six new indoor courts was one of the reasons it took so long to finish.

But Hurley said wet paint wasn't the only

problem that held up the opening of the center.

"The delays were caused by poor soil that had to be replaced and [by] the difficulty in getting steel due to international demand," Hurley said. "When the steel did arrive, some of it had to be returned because it was not what was ordered."

Mary Washington's new tennis center had to have the correct steel.

"We got what we needed before, instead of asking for it [later on]," Patrick said.

The two-story complex has six indoor tennis courts, five water islands, double-insulated walls, and state-of-the-art lighting setups.

The facility also will offer individual and group lessons, according to Patrick.

UMW Students Encounter Peepers, Notify Police

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At UMW voyeurism is most prevalent at the beginning of the school year.

"When school starts we always have a few instances [of voyeurism] because the new students don't have curtains," Shethorse said.

According to Virginia law, any person, except a law enforcement officer, that threatens a person's safety on more than one occasion, is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Voyeurs fall under this category.

Punishment for a Class 1 Misdemeanor is confinement in jail for up to 12 months and a fine of up to \$2,500.

On Sept. 1, *The Bulletin* reported that on July 29, a female student at UMW came into contact

with a voyeur at her residence, the UMW Apartments.

The student contacted the Fredericksburg Police Department and, after setting up a parameter and having a canine unit run a track, the suspect was tracked to Winchester Street.

Paul Joseph Angeles, a Springfield resident, was arrested.

Angeles was charged with peeping into an occupied dwelling. He was found guilty, sentenced to 12 months in prison and fined \$91, which was paid by Aug. 9.

Last fall, Callie Talbot, a senior at UMW, and her roommates, were victims in a voyeurism incident at their residence, 1900 Washington Ave.

A tall African American male, Lloyd Lee Jones Jr., took nightly walks through Talbot's

neighborhood. Talbot and her roommates stopped seeing the man when the weather became cooler.

"One night Karen Pickering [one of Talbot's roommates] and I made a late run to 7-Eleven for some coffee," Talbot said. "As we drove away in Karen's car we noticed the same African-American male we had seen walking when the weather was nice out. As we returned home from 7-Eleven we noticed the man still near our house, walking slowly."

Talbot and her roommate, Karen Pickering, entered their residence and continued to watch the man take laps around the neighborhood from their windows.

Jacqui Forsythe also watched Jones from the window.

"After a few laps, he came to the side of our house and slowly walked by our cars, looking suspiciously in the windows," Talbot said. "Then he walked away to take another lap."

Talbot, Pickering and Forsythe, all seniors at UMW, waited by Talbot's bedroom window and then witnessed Jones cross the street.

"We watched him as he looked into our neighbors bedroom window," Talbot said. "I immediately picked up my cell phone and called the police."

The police arrived, but Jones had already left. Talbot was later informed by Fredericksburg Police that Jones carried a backpack that contained a police scanner allowing Jones to hear when police were dispatched.

"It identifies radar, allowing him to easily escape from the cops," Talbot said.

According to Talbot, Jones was caught later that night. Talbot and several other UMW students appeared in court and Jones was convicted and sentenced to several months in jail. He has currently finished serving his sentence.

"It was disconcerting to come back this fall and watch as Lloyd Lee Jones Jr. continues to walk around our neighborhood with his backpack on," Talbot said. "Unfortunately, there is nothing we can do for now, except hope that he doesn't do anything, or if he does, that we catch him in the act."

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Editorial No More Sexist Stigma, Please

A woman's success is often defined as having a semi-successful career, a nice husband, a big white house with a picket fence and 2.5 kids.

Society seems to agree that these are the ingredients for personal fulfillment and true happiness.

But it's not 1950 anymore. Times have definitely changed.

Women are going to college, getting degrees and going to work. In order to live comfortably, it is best to have a degree and a job that pays well.

So what if a woman's idea of success has changed? Is it so hard to believe?

What if she wants the career, husband and house, but passes on the children? Or forget about the husband...what if her life is fulfilled by a great career?

While society has generally accepted women who want careers, has it accepted that some women do not want to welcome small bundles of joy?

We think not.

It seems as though women who choose not to have children are labeled as cold-hearted, selfish, unfeeling and unnatural.

However, when men do not want to have children, they seem to fall under society's radar. They do not receive a harsh judgement, if any at all.

There is nothing wrong with wanting to be responsible for yourself and only yourself.

Is it wrong that these women are happy sans offspring?

Perhaps it is hard for many people to accept such a concept.

And it isn't always women who are critical of each other. We understand that men will sometimes expect children from women who never plan on having any...ever.

Some women fear having children, some cannot physically have them and others just don't want to have a family.

Even though these women are making a choice that is not widely popular and arguably against the grain, it is unfair to judge them.

It is not fair for men to be labeled as free-spirits and bachelors when they do not wish to have children, while women are stuck with the old maid, cold fish stigma.

Justice Has Not Served John Ames

By **PATRICK BRILLEY**
Guest Columnist

"Weapons are the tools of violence; all decent men detest them. Weapons are the tools of fear; a decent man will avoid them except in the direst necessity and, if compelled, will use them only with the utmost restraint." -Lao Tzu

Apparently, one John Ames of Caroline County does not adhere to this tenet of Taoism. The 60-year-old Ames shot his neighbor, 74-year-old Oliver "Perry" Brooks five times because he said Brooks threatened him with a stick. A jury in Caroline county has acquitted him of murder.

The murder of Perry Brooks was the end of a feud that John Ames began with his neighbor 15 years ago. When Ames moved into Caroline County, he put up a fence around his property. Being new to town and wanting to be neighborly, he did what any good neighbor would do: he sued his neighbors for half of what it cost him to put the fence up. The cost to Brooks was \$45,000.

Brooks and the other neighbors refused to pay the money. Ames took them all the way to the Virginia Supreme Court and won. According to a 19th-century law, you could put up a fence on your farm and charge your neighbors half. All the neighbors except Brooks paid.

This reminds me of the old axiom that, "Just because you have the right to do something, doesn't mean it's the right thing to do." Perhaps after several years as a bankruptcy attorney, Mr. Ames has forgotten this.

The morning Brooks was killed, he was on Ames' farm collecting a bull that had wandered onto his property. Ames rode up in a pickup truck and confronted Brooks about taking the bull. According to yet another court order, Ames could charge Brooks \$1,000 every time Brooks' bull wandered onto his property.

During this confrontation, Ames alleged that Brooks took a swing at him with a hickory stick. It was after this and seeing the "look in his eyes" that Ames shot Brooks five times. The only witness to the case said Brooks never threatened

Ames with the stick and that Ames shot Brooks while he was on the ground.

Yet, Ames shot Brooks five times. Self-defense tactics dictate that you keep firing until your assailant is no longer a threat. That was one tough old man. Five shots of 9 mm ammunition at two feet (according to Ames) is a lot of lead. Ames must be proud of himself; that great warrior, he managed to fell an old man with a stick.

John Ames started the feud with a disreputable act, and he ended the feud in a shower of violence. What does it say about the character of a person who would do this? He represents all that people hate about lawyers. It is hard to imagine him as a real person; he seems more like a caricature. A wealthy Richmond lawyer moves into Caroline county, and sues his poor neighbors for a fence he puts up, then murders an old man yielding nothing more than a stick.

Abraham Lincoln is credited with saying, "Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of; the

tree is the real thing." Mr. Ames has saved his reputation. His shadow is intact. From his first legal victory with the fence to his ultimate acquittal, he has left his shadow intact. He can say he didn't do anything wrong, and that the law supports him.

But that is all he is now, a shadow. The tree of his character is a gnarled rotten thing, corrupted by selfishness and violence. The form behind that shadow is that of a coward who would use legal wrangling to support his own selfish interests, or a weapon if that were to fail.

Under the law, Mr. Ames has been found not guilty. The law and justice are not the same. Law is humanity's approximation of justice; it is an estimate, which is sometimes rounded up, sometimes rounded down.

sometimes rounded down. In this case, it would seem that justice was rounded down.

Mr. Ames has stated that he just wants to spend the rest of his life in peace. The quote in the beginning of this article is about being a decent person, but it is also a warning to one who would use violence that, "Powerful men are well advised not to use violence, for violence has a habit of returning." I have only one wish for John Ames.

I hope that for the rest of his life he is treated the way he has treated others. I hope that everything he has done finds its way back to him.

Patrick "Bee Sting" Brille is a junior who has nothing funny to say about John Ames.

THE SITCOMMUNIST



Matt Czaplinski



Cartoon by Matt Czaplinski

Stop Ethnic Cleansing Now

By **JOE KATZ**
Guest Columnist

Israel once again showed its commitment to peace this summer by withdrawing its soldiers and civilians from Gaza.

This presents the risk that Gaza will become a safe haven for terrorist groups, including Hamas, Islamic Jihad and Al-Qaeda. Israel is taking this risk to fulfill one of its most important obligations

under the internationally backed "Roadmap to Peace."

It was hoped that the Palestinian Authority would reciprocate this peaceful gesture by finally complying with their Roadmap obligations.

Unfortunately, not only has the PA not complied with a single one of these obligations, but their president, Mahmoud Abbas, has explicitly stated that he will not do so. He refuses to end antisemitic propaganda in PA-controlled

schools, mosques and the media. Through these outlets, the PA repeatedly instructs children that they have a religious obligation to murder Jews.

The Roadmap requires Abbas to end incitement completely, and also requires him to disarm and outlaw terrorist groups. It specifically states that he cannot invite them into PA security forces or the political process.

Yet, he has promised to continue Arafat's policy of incorporating these murderers into both the security and political establishments. While Israel complies with all of its Roadmap obligations, Abbas openly defies them.

Abbas' refusal to follow the Roadmap has had grave consequences. Terrorists continue to target Jewish civilians by firing rockets from Gaza into Israel. Indeed, this seems to have intensified since the withdrawal.

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TASTE OF ITALY

By AMY MALONEY
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Castiglia's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria

324 William Street, (540)373-6650
Hours: Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Friday - Saturday 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

Castiglia's (pronounced Casteeyas) is a moderately priced Italian restaurant conveniently located at the corner of William Street and Charles Street in downtown Fredericksburg.

"Lots of people come in for good calzones and good pizza," said Salvatore Castiglia, brother of owner Luigi Castiglia.

They have an extensive menu which includes four appetizers, and two types of soup, four salads, 10 subs and sandwiches, four varieties of calzone and stromboli, six varieties of pizza and a choice of 13 toppings, 11 entrees, 15 additional pasta entrees, four types of antipasti and two side dishes.

The most expensive item on the menu is the Frutti Di Mare pasta dish, which consists of shrimp, clams, mussels and calamari sautéed in garlic and marinara sauce over linguine, and costs \$14.95. The least expensive of the entrees is the eggplant parmigiana, breaded eggplant topped with vine ripened tomato sauce and mozzarella cheese with a side of pasta, which costs \$9.50.

One slice of cheese pizza costs \$1.50, and there is a \$0.25 charge for additional toppings. A large (16 inch) cheese pizza is \$9.25 and additional toppings are \$1.50.

Castiglia said everything is made in-house except a few of the desserts.



Dan Coo/Bullet

Nathaniel Clar of Fredericksburg prepares food at Vocelli's. The pizzeria is located across the street from the University's campus.

University of Mary Washington students give Castiglia's mixed reviews.

Junior Sam Hale describes Castiglia's as "junior varsity Italian food."

Marie Snyder, also a junior, tried ravioli with meat sauce for dinner and cannolis for dessert.

"The dessert is better than the dinner, the cannolis were huge and were so good," she said.

Junior Jeff Millan has been to Castiglia's a few times.

"It's alright, it's good food for the price," he said.

Junior Laura Tenekjian agrees.

"It's not bad," she said. "The service can be slow, sometimes even when they aren't very busy, but the servers are nice and the food is good."

Castiglia's has two dining rooms, as well as outdoor seating. According to Castiglia, the restaurant could probably seat close to 180 people if it were completely full. Both of the dining rooms are non-smoking. Castiglia said

They also take carry out orders, and are planning to build a small bar.

Vocelli Pizza is a franchise pizzeria owned by Fredericksburg resident Imran Raja. It opened a few weeks ago, on Aug. 24. It is located in the Fredericksburg Park and Shop Center on Jefferson Davis Highway, across the street from the University.

Vocelli Pizza

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Sunday-Thursday 11 a.m.-12 a.m.
Friday-Saturday 11 a.m.-2 a.m.

Vocelli's offers nine specialty gourmet pizzas, and has 21 toppings available. A piccolo (10 inch) gourmet costs \$10.99, grande (14 inch) is \$15.99, and the neapolitan (16 inch) is \$17.99. However, Raja offers a small (piccolo) one topping pizza to University students for \$6.99.

Vocelli's menu also includes four appetizers, five salads, four types of stromboli and eight varieties of panini. Appetizers range in price from \$3.49 bread sticks to wings, 10 for \$6.99, 20 for \$12.99, 30 for \$18.99 and 50 for \$29.99. Panini subs cost \$6.99 each, while a stromboli is \$7.99.

Vocelli's is solely a carry out, delivery and catering restaurant. Raja keeps it open until 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights for college students with late night munchies. His goal is for every order to be delivered within 30 minutes.

Raja thinks Vocelli Pizza stands out against competitors like Papa John's and Pizza Hut because his pizzas are more expensive, but his ingredients are of a much higher quality.

"[Our pizzas] are more like gourmet," he said. "We also have more than just breadsticks, wings and pizza. We have more of a variety."

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Running to Raise Awareness

By JESSICA SIMON
Staff Writer

According to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society an estimated 670,950 Americans are currently living with the devastating blood cancers of leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. Even worse, every nine minutes a child or adult dies from one of these diseases.

In August of 2004, University of Mary Washington junior Maggie Kelley was personally touched by the devastation of these diseases when her best friend, Ashley Carleton, shared with her the news that her younger sister Kerri was diagnosed with lymphoma. In celebration of Kerri's final treatment this past August, Maggie will be running in the P.F. Chang's Rock 'n' Roll Arizona Marathon on Jan. 15, 2006 in Phoenix, AZ.

Kelley has been training through the unique program called Team in Training. This program provides its participants with coaching, training, and covers travel costs to race at various locations. In exchange, participants are asked to fundraise for cures of blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma.

Kelley first heard of this program this past summer through her best friend Ashley, who was already involved in the program. Kelley simply signed up for it through the program's Web site and was set to begin her training when she came to school at the end of August.

Though she ran cross-country in high school, she stopped running after she sprained her ankle last year. Kelley recently began running again.

Team in Training provided Kelley with a strict training schedule to follow, as well as a training mentor to guide her along her way. Her training regime consists of a 30-40 minute run every other day and a longer run with her mentor every Saturday morning. These longer runs are increased by one mile each week to prepare for the 26.2 mile marathon.

"I've run on and off just for fun, but this summer I starting running consistently," Kelley said.



Now that her training is in full gear, Kelley does not have any problem with her weekly routines.

"You would think that running a marathon would be such an impossible task, but with this training regiment it is so easy," she said.

In order to participate in the Team in Training program, Kelley must raise a minimum of \$3,900 for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. To reach, and hopefully surpass this goal, she will be sending out letters to several businesses.

Kelley also hopes to be able to set up a table at the Eagle's Nest to get the UMW community

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Courtesy Margaret Kelley

Junior Maggie Kelley (second from left) is running this January in a Team in Training Marathon. She is sponsoring Kerri Carleton (second from right) in the race.

Thumbs Up... Thumbs Down...



To iPod nanos.



To misleading chalk arrows at GW's main gate.



To the Redskins.



To bars having a cover charge.

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Student Races for the Cure

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involved. In addition, she will be setting up a Web site where people will be able to make donations toward her goal.

To make the experience even more personal for its participants, Team in Training provides each runner with an honored blood cancer patient that participants may contact throughout the process. Participants have the option of being set up with a patient through The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society or choosing a patient that they are already close to.

Kelley chose to run in honor of Kerri Carleton. Ashley, Kerri's sister, is also going to be running in the marathon and Kerri will be traveling to Phoenix to witness her sister and Kelley run in event.

The personal connection that Kelley has with Kerri is one of the many things that motivate her in her training. She feels very honored to be able to participate in such a charitable fundraising event.

When she first signed up to participate in the Team in Training program, Kelley was given a purple rubber bracelet, similar to the popular

"When you are running for something like this, you feel very blessed to actually have the ability to do it."

--Maggie Kelley

Livestrong bracelets. The bracelet came from The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and says the words "Train, Endure, Achieve, Matter."

Kelley wears this bracelet each time she does her training. She says that wearing it acts as a motivator and constant reminder of what the training is all about.

Kelley wants UMW students to be aware of just how amazing the Team in Training program is and what a good cause it supports. She encourages students to look into the program themselves so that they can also get a taste of just how fulfilling this program can be.

"When you are running for something like this, you feel very blessed to actually have the ability to do it," she said.



THE HOROSCOPES

By KATIE TELLER
News Editor

This week's birthday: (Sept. 22 to 29) Happy birthday, darling! It's your birthday, and you have a reason to celebrate. If, however, you celebrate with a Capricorn, you're going to be sorry. They're notorious for causing trouble for people born between Sept. 22 and 29. If you really, really want to hang out with a Capricorn for your birthday, the stars can't stop you, but you're playing with fire.

But don't be surprised if you and the troublemaking Capricorn end up spending the night together...at the Rappahannock Regional Jail.

Aries (March 21 to April 19)

Next time you're thinking of asking that nice-looking Scorpio from your math class out on a date, you need to think again. Scorpions are notorious for being troublemakers.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)

Grab life by the horns. But just don't grab too hard.

Gemini (May 21 to June 21)

Gemini, what's the deal? How do you manage to do so many dumb things all the time? You really need to watch out, too, because fall has arrived and you're just an accident waiting to happen when the leaves get slippery.

Cancer (June 22 to July 22)

You've been characteristically crabby these days. That's no surprise. But next you feel like using your claws, you should take another route and bury yourself in the sand. Nobody likes a grouchy old crab.

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22)

"At no point in your rambling, incoherent response were you even close to anything that could be considered a rational thought.

Everyone in this room is now dumber for having listened to it."

If that sounds more like what you hear from your professors than a line from the great American classic "Billy Madison," it's time to hunker down and get serious. Dumbass.

Virgo (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

You know those times when you're on Campus Walk and you see a squirrel and you really, really want to throw something at it but your conscience stops you? Throw something next time. Scare the hell out of it.

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

The stars hate the New England Patriots. Actually, pretty much everyone hates them. You should too.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

You've had ants in your pants lately. Give yourself a good little shake before you get bit.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

You've gone from being merely "so hot" to being ON FIRE. And when it comes to life's most burning questions, you've got all the right answers.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Just don't hang out with people who were born this week.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

It always seems like a good idea at the time, doesn't it?

Pisces (Feb. 19 to March 20)

Your communication with other people has been a little bit fuzzy lately. Clean up all the static with clear messages...metaphorically speaking. Also, you really aren't as badass as you act. Also, your spirits have been a little limp lately. It's time to lift your spirits and improve lines of communication.

Fine Dining in Fredericksburg

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University junior Mary Johnson is a frequent customer at Vocelli Pizza.

"It was the best pizza I have had in my life," she said. "And we picked it up like 10 or 15 minutes after we ordered it, it was ready for us."

Vocelli Pizza is a good choice for those without access to a car, or those who feel like having restaurant-quality food without leaving their home. It is also within walking distance of campus.

Basil's Bistro

909 Caroline Street, (540) 599-5414

Monday 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesday-Thursday 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturday 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday: closed

Basil's Bistro is located on the 900 block of Caroline Street in downtown Fredericksburg inside The Galleria. It is a small Italian bistro that is difficult to spot from the street, which may be why not many University students know of it. "We have a lot of regular [patrons]

who work downtown, and a lot of construction workers, and people coming in on

their lunch breaks," said chef Sam Chabalewski.

Basil's has a moderately priced menu. The Greek Salad with chicken and the Penne Alfredo with chicken or vegetables are the most expensive items at \$8.25. Without chicken each is \$6.25. Chicken Florentine is the second highest priced item at \$7.25, and it consists of penne pasta topped with roasted chicken, ricotta, spinach, mozzarella and homemade marinara sauce. Chabalewski thinks that Basil's was known mostly for its pizza.

"[We have] the best pizza in town, its just really good cheap food with big portions. You should eat here if you're hungry."

Everything is made in-house except desserts, said Chabalewski. And they are transitioning to making desserts as well.

Basil's can seat 45 people at maximum capacity, and has seating in one dining room,



Dan Coo/Bullet

Chris Golden of Fredericksburg has a drink with a few friends at J. Brian's Taproom. The bar is open until 2 a.m. every day.

outdoors and right outside the doorway in the interior of The Galleria.

University junior Andrea Rajacic was impressed by both the food and the service at Basil's. "I had spinach and artichoke dip and a Greek salad with chicken and both were really good," she said. "The salad tasted really fresh, and didn't seem as though it had been refrigerated or anything, it was at room temperature, you know not like one you would make at home. The dressing was good too, really light. And they give you big portions of everything"

Stacey Feindt, who works in downtown Fredericksburg, was also satisfied with her meal at Basil's.

"They give you a lot of really good food without spending a lot of money," she said. "And the service was really fast."

Basil's is a small and casual place to eat. It is further away from the University campus than Castiglia's, but is still well within walking distance. The dining room is nonsmoking, but those seated outside may smoke.

Chabalewski said they are busiest at lunchtime, but that patrons rarely wait for a table and do not need reservations.

J. Brian's Taproom

200 Hanover Street, (540) 373-0738

Monday-Thursday 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday & Saturday 11 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m.-9 p.m.
Bar: Open until 2 a.m. every day

J. Brian's Taproom is an Italian American restaurant and bar located on Hanover Street, close to the intersection of Hanover St. and Caroline St.

It is owned by J. Brian Hyland, and according to server and Mary Washington junior Dave Miller, J. Brian's is best known for having 18 premium beers on tap, and high quality burgers and steaks.

Some of its food is more expensive than both Basil's and Castiglia's. A 12 inch basic pizza (cheddar and mozzarella cheeses with marinara sauce) costs \$10.95 at J. Brian's, while Basil's large is \$10.50 and Castiglia's charges only \$9.25 for a 16 inch large cheese pizza.

J. Brian's entrees run between \$12.95 (the vegetarian scampi) and \$21.95 (the porterhouse: a 20-ounce certified Angus beef filet mignon grilled to order).

University junior Doug White has eaten at J. Brian's three times with his mother, Deborah White. On their most recent trip she got a crab cake sandwich and Doug got the chicken madeline sandwich.

"Today was my third time and I wanted to come back," Deborah said.

Doug White's only complaint was that he thinks there are not many alternatives if you don't want steak, pizza or a burger; he wishes there were more sandwich options.

"But what they do have they do really well," Doug said. "I knew the waitress so she was really friendly and the fries were amazing."

The interior of J. Brian's is dark and very much like a bar even on the dining side. The shades are drawn, and the walls are covered with a variety of pictures from the Civil War, black and white pictures of buildings and other pictures reminiscent of the United States and Fredericksburg.

J. Brian's is also within walking distance of campus. It has both indoor and outdoor seating, and can seat about 70 people at maximum capacity, said Miller. He recommends making reservations for Friday and Saturday nights, but otherwise patrons rarely wait for tables.

Scene

Bullet Hits: A Look At A Bullet Editor's Top Five

By **BETSY CRUMB**
Editor in Chief

This Week: Board Games

1. Scrabble: It began back in the age of the Depression when a (probably lonely) man by the name of Moshier Butts decided he wanted to invent a word game. Originally known as "Criss-Cross Words," the game hit the floor running by the 1950s when it was re-named. The game offers a chance to use all those \$25 words that you've been wanting to put in a sentence and just don't know how to. Who doesn't love a game that allows you to, a) use a word without knowing the definition and not make you look stupid because of it, and b) use a word like "qat?"

2. Trivial Pursuit: I put this at No. 2, but don't think it's a lesser game than Scrabble. Scrabble takes top dog because of age, since TP has only been around since 1982, but TP is inarguably nothing short of a party in a box. It's quite literally, a pursuit of very trivial knowledge, with questions as basic as, "Who did push Humpty Dumpty off that wall?" and as ridiculous as, "What author coined the term cyberspace?" while players try to fill their pies by answering questions from each of the six categories.

3. Balderdash: Def: n. trivial nonsense. Or is it? This clever game asks players to define obscure words like "maar" by making up a definition and hoping other players will guess that, and not the real definition. Perhaps one of the few times we are encouraged to fib, and in fact will win if we do it well enough.

4. Scotland Yard: Like London? Well grab your chance to traipse all over the city by playing "Mr. X," the hunted criminal of the game. Mr. X is trying to escape the other players, detectives, on the board by concealing his form of transportation. This 22-year-old game requires cooperation and urges players to find that hidden desire in all of us to play a deadly game of cat and mouse, in an anxiety-ridden game of logic vs. stealth.

5. Guess Who?: I guess we can see now my obsession with either detective games or word games. Crack the case of the mystery face in Guess Who?! Play the detective again in this game, asking your opponent yes or no questions like, "Blond hair? Blue eyes? Facial hair?" and find out who the mystery person is by process of elimination. Meet the funny-faced, shifty-eyed suspects on your own board as you narrow down the choices of your opponent's. Think this game is just for kids? Just ask my old roommate.



Carole Garmon, associate professor of art and art history, discusses her work with senior Sarah Perry at Thursday's exhibition opening.

Faculty Art Show Shoots Viewers Into "Loveland"

By **ERICA JACKSON**
Staff Writer

Guns, eerie beachscapes, sequestered egos and a place called Loveland have taken over Dupont Gallery, and will be in residency until Oct. 23. These images are just some of the works on display at the Studio Art Faculty Exhibition, which opened to a large crowd last Thursday.

The exhibition displays the most recent efforts of the University's four professors of art: Carole Garmon, Steve Griffin, Joseph Di Bella and Lorene Nickel. A wide range of media are represented including pinhole photography, sculpture and mixed media.

Associate professor of art and art history, Carole Garmon's "Greetings From Loveland" was the standout piece on Thursday afternoon. Upon entering the gallery, all eyes were drawn to a young woman (senior Honor Bowman) in an ice-blue ball gown playing the cello. Stretching across the floor and onto the wall behind her was a blue and white landscape. The life-size piece, consisting mainly of fabric and held in place by pins, shows a whimsical scene of huge white flowers and two white deer against a blue background.

According to Garmon in the exhibit information booklet, "Greetings From Loveland" marks a new series of work referencing the wedding portraits of Rembrandt Van Rijn and the landscapes of [Jean-Antoine] Watteau and [Jean-Honoré] Fragonard.

Postcards depicting the piece are for sale in the gallery. All proceeds will go toward the Red Cross and victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Garmon has been a faculty member since 1998. She teaches sculpture, 3-D design, video art, and professional practices in studio art.

Professor of art and art history Steve Griffin, a faculty member since 1983, presents a series of black and white photographs in sharp contrast to Garmon's "Loveland." Using a large cardboard-box pinhole camera, Griffin has been capturing scenes at Colonial Beach, a small town on the Potomac River, for the past three years.

"The shifting waves, moving figures and flapping umbrellas give the photographs an eerie dreamlike quality," Griffin explains in the handout.

Junior art history major Lara Teague cited Griffin's work as her favorite.

"The pictures convey such a sense of calm and serenity," she said. "They really capture the atmosphere of the shore."

Griffin teaches photography, printmaking, and drawing at the University.

Joseph Di Bella, distinguished professor of art and art history, has two series on display at the exhibition.

The "Faux Pax" series, made up of five diptychs (two-paneled paintings or altarpieces), depicts images of firearms and numbers. The pieces are made from such diverse materials as target paper, gun pads, gunshot and handmade paper.

Di Bella, who has taught at the University since 1977, describes the pieces as partially in response to his son's recent term in Iraq.

"It was a way for me to address his being at war and my reflections of him as a child, because there are some images in these that have water pistols as well as the drawings of actual guns," he said.

The pieces also reveal Di Bella's reflections on the role of weapons in the relationship between faith and war, as evidenced in the series' title, a play on words meaning "false peace."

"What kind of peace is there when you say you have faith, you have a concern for mankind, when there's constant destruction going on?" he said. "I have a problem finding the resolution there. I find it a complete irresolution."

Andrew Greeley, a junior international affairs major, found the "Faux Pax" series the most striking of those on display.

"I'm a big fan of mixed media, and I like how he's incorporating the target with sketches," he said. "It's very abstract. I'm impressed."

The fourth artist showing at the exhibition is professor of art and art history Lorene Nickel, who has been teaching ceramics and textile design at the University since 1981. Her sculptures, a collaboration with Joseph Detwiler, are scattered throughout the center of the gallery.

The pieces on display are selected from two series, rooted in simple vase and bottle forms. They are constructed by a variety of materials, including stoneware, terra cotta, porcelain, and gold leaf.

One of the series on display contains three standout pieces representing the "Sequestered Ego." The small, captivating sculptures are made up of a simple base topped by a cage-like structure covered in gold leaf. Inside the cages are intricate figures representing the ego.

"Issues of shape, surface and presentation are informed by diverse historical borrowings and a wide range of ceramic techniques and materials," Nickel writes in the information booklet.

Junior Tyler Christesen, a German major, encouraged other students to visit the exhibition.

"It's a great display of faculty talent," he said. "It's definitely worth the trip."

**The duPont Gallery
Hours:
Monday, Wednesday,
Friday
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

Drama and Horror: Not A Good Mix

By **TIERNEY MCAFEE**
Staff Writer

Let's get straight to the point. "The Exorcism of Emily Rose" is guilty of false advertisement. If you're looking for a grisly horror film in the tradition of "The Exorcist," stay home and rent "The Exorcist."

Contrary to what its previews may suggest, this movie is two parts courtroom drama, one part horror film, and one part unintentional comedy—and the final result isn't pretty. I'll admit that writer and director Scott Derrickson's combination of courtroom drama and a horror film is an interesting premise; in fact it was a twist that I thought would prove refreshing. But Derrickson's effort falls short because he doesn't bring any particular flair or mood to his telling of the story.

Laura Linney stars as Erin Bruner, a high-profile defense attorney with a conscience, whose current case is defending Father Moore (Tom Wilkinson). Father Moore has been put on trial for negligent homicide after leading the exorcism of Emily Rose (Jennifer Carpenter), who either had a mental illness, was afflicted by severe rigor mortis or was possessed by demons (I'm not sure which one, and neither is the movie).

Prosecutor Ethan Thomas' (Campbell Scott) case is that Emily's symptoms—which include violent backends, black eyeballs, visions of demons and speaking in tongues in two separate voices at the same time—can all

be explained by a simple diagnosis of "epileptic psychosis," (oh, not that again), and that Father Moore's encouragement that Emily stop her medical treatment led to her eventual death.

Father Moore, along with Emily's family, believes that Emily was possessed by demons and the only possible way to save her was to cease all medical treatment and perform an exorcism. The rest of the movie is spent arguing the opposing cases in some of the most boring, non-suspenseful courtroom scenes I have ever seen, and attempting to frighten the audience in some of the most boring, non-suspenseful horror scenes I have ever seen.

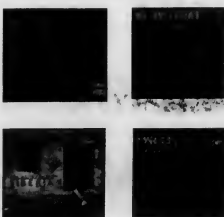
In my opinion, the real mystery is why talented actors like Laura Linney and Tom Wilkinson are even in a movie such as this one. Though both actors gave a valiant performance, they each wore a face throughout the film that looked suspiciously like "This is garbage and I know it." I think I could actually pinpoint the moment in which Wilkinson gave up. He must have realized no one, no matter how sharp his or her acting skills, could save this film.

Junior Matt Parr also noticed the movie's shortcomings.

"Although the movie raises interesting questions regarding our society, the 'scare factor' was negligible," Parr said. "The fact that it was touted as a horror movie instead of

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Review



New CDs This Week

1. Coheed and Cambria: "Good Apollo..."
2. James Brown: "Gettin' Down To It"
3. Echo and the Bunnymen: "Siberia"
4. Maroon 5: "Live Friday the 13th"

All CD release dates were Sept. 20, 2005.
All CD cover art courtesy of allmusic.com.

Top 3 Movies

Photos courtesy of imdb.com



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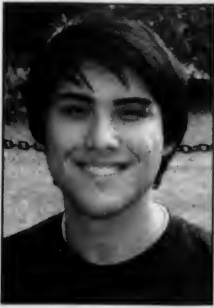


2. "The Exorcism of Emily Rose"



3. "Lord of War"

What Class Do You Wish Were Offered?



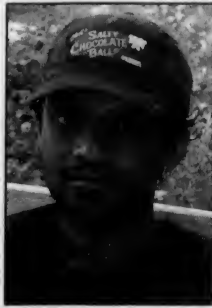
"Fire Extinguisher Safety 101."

**-Matt Berger,
Junior**



"Procrastination 101."

**-Nicole Crierie,
Sophomore**



"What Not to Say on a First Date 101."

**-Dam Pathmalal,
Freshman**



"More Creative Writing classes."

**-Liz Toye,
Senior**



"An African dance class."

**-Emma Interlandi,
Junior**

Anna Lowell/Bullet

The Exorcism Of Emily Rose": True Story Still Not Scary

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a psychological thriller probably threw many people off."

Like all movies that are supposed to be scary, this one does garner a few shrieks from its audience (mainly your typical cheap shrieks invoked by the element of surprise). But the scenes that are supposed to be the most chilling actually proved to be the most laughable.

In one scene, Emily's strangely loyal boyfriend is sleeping peacefully in her bed despite his knowledge that at 3 a.m. (the devil's hour) Emily will undoubtedly do something highly unusual and freakish. Sure enough, he wakes up to find Emily missing, and looks over

to see her on the floor, her body contorted into a grotesque inhuman pretzel. You can tell this is intended to scare us, but instead of fear the general reaction seemed to be more along the lines of "Hmmm...that looks really weird!", accompanied by scattered laughter.

But not everyone had negative things to say about Emily Rose. In fact, the majority of people that I've spoken to enjoyed it.

Junior Nick Marrone liked the mix of genres.

"I like the fact that it revolved around the controversial judicial aspects of the case, rather than just a horror film about an exorcism," Marrone said.

Senior movie-goer Russell Friedell enjoyed the film's "true story" aspect.

"I love movies that are based on true stories,"

Friedell said. "They're much more exciting, because after the movie you really want to do research and find out more about the actual story."

Which brings us to the question everyone wants to know as soon as they see the words "based on a true story" pop up on the screen: how much of this is actually real?

Emily Rose is loosely based on the death of a young German woman named Anneliese Michel in the early 1970's. Michel experienced similar symptoms to those of the fictional Emily Rose (and really did eat bugs!). After some resistance, the church approved her exorcism and Michel stopped medical treatment, underwent the exorcism, refused to eat, and according to forensic evidence, starved to death. Two years

after Michel's death, a German court found her parents and the two priests involved guilty of negligent manslaughter and sentenced them to six months in prison.

Either way, the whole "based on a true story" line, usually employed by the horror genre to make the movie more horrifying, didn't really instill any extra fear in me this time around.

Bottom line: someone can and probably will prove me wrong, but as of right now, I firmly believe that mixing a courtroom drama with a horror film is about as promising as mixing epilepsy with psychosis...or a defense attorney with a conscience.

"The Exorcism of Emily Rose" is currently playing at the Regal Fredericksburg 15 and the Marquee-South Point Cinemas.

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Viewpoints

Thanks To You, Party Animals

Dear Editor:

The brothers of the Phi Delta chapter of Psi Upsilon wanted to take the time to thank everyone who came out to the luau for hurricane relief which we held on Thursday, Sept. 8 at Central Station.

Through a concerted effort, which involved fraternity brothers, Central Station, and also everyone who attended the party, we were able to raise \$2,350, which we will donate to the COAR office here at UMW.

We were able to collect this money through our ticket sales, donations by UMW students at the 21-year-old door, and also with a donation from Central Station. Through all our efforts, we will be able to give a family, which is being located to our area, a \$500 gift card to Target, and the rest will be donated to the Red Cross through our COAR office.

Due to the hard work of every brother in the fraternity, whether selling tickets, collecting donations and tickets at the door, or setting up decorations, the party turned out to be a great success.

I am greatly honored to be the leader of these fine gentlemen, who time and time again put hard work and effort into making sure that the students of UMW have a safe and fun time at our parties, and it pleases me even more when we are able to do it for a great cause such as this.

Hope to see as much of a turnout for the next party as we did at this one.

Nick Barron is a senior and president of the Phi Delta chapter.



Palestinian Christians Need More Protection

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Terrorists are also continuing their pattern of child abuse by exploiting children for use as bombers and bomb-runners. Just two weeks ago, 14-year-old Hassan Khalifa was arrested attempting to smuggle three pipe bombs into Israel.

Bush claims that he is committed to the peace process, but if he truly wants the Palestinians to live in greater freedom, he must pressure Abbas to follow Israel's lead and work for peace by complying with the International Roadmap.

However, there are other issues Bush must address with Abbas, namely the PA's continuing policy of ethnically cleansing its territories of Palestinian Christians.

Many students at UMW may be unaware of this ethnic cleansing, though it is one of the most disturbing but ignored aspects of this conflict.

The PA charter still calls for the destruction of Israel and the genocidal massacre of its five million Jews, but few people know of the PA's hard line stance against its Christian community.

The Christian holy city of Bethlehem is a prime example of PA-led ethnic cleansing.

The city was 60 percent Christian in 1995 when the PA, under Arafat, took control of it.

In 2002, terrorists working directly

under Arafat occupied and looted the Church of the Nativity and held many priests and monks hostage. These terrorists had been incorporated into PA security forces by Arafat—the same way Abbas is now incorporating terrorists into his own security

Eastern country that respects ethnic and religious diversity.

This policy continues with the recent assault on the Christian village of Taibe. This conflict began as a dispute between rival clans, but quickly escalated as gunmen burned and looted the village, destroying many homes, businesses, and shrines while chanting "Burn the infidels! Burn the crusaders!"

PA security forces looked on as the attack took place, and continue to support the attackers.

They arrested the gunmen, but released them within an hour. By contrast, they arrested one of the original Christian targets of the attack, Mehdi Khouriyee.

They are continuing to hold him illegally, while subjecting him to a brutal regimen of beatings and torture.

In 1999 and 2000, Israel offered peace and statehood to the Palestinians, and both times it was rejected by Arafat. Now, for the first time in years, there is a real opportunity for peace.

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Soccer Falls To Falcons

By LAUREN BOSTON
Sports Editor

On the bright side, things could have been a lot worse for the University of Mary Washington women's soccer team last weekend.

The Eagles fell 3-0 to nationally ranked Messiah College on Saturday, but could have fared far worse had it not been for the back-up goalie of the game, UMW's goalkeeper.

UMW's first lucky break came with 26 minutes on the clock in the first half as Messiah's sophomore Avie Fitzgerald maneuvered her way around several Eagle defenders, taking a strong shot at the goal that bounced off the left goal post.

However, the Eagles' luck didn't last very long. One minute later on a free kick by junior Sara Stevens, senior Kelly Thomas headed the ball to Fitzgerald who followed suit, heading the ball past UMW freshman goalkeeper Laura McCarthy for the first goal of the game.

Head Coach Kurt Glaeser was disappointed with his team's defense which allowed Messiah to score their first goal.

"I think on their first goal we didn't defend it very well," he said. "Obviously we were looking to target their tall frontrunner Thomas, and we could have done a better job in marking her and in taking some of her options away on that ball that was served to her on that free kick."

Senior Amy Kingsbury was unhappy with how the Eagles reacted to the Falcons' goal.

"After Messiah scored their first goal, we started panicking with the ball, which eliminated any sort of offense that we could have developed," she said. "Our reaction to their goal was to simply bunker down and play defense for the rest of the game instead of doing the offensive things that would create opportunities for us."

Despite a strong start in which the Eagles were neck-in-neck with Messiah over the ball, UMW's game was deflated after Messiah's first goal.

Messiah College gained momentum from there and took control of the rest of the game. The Falcons denied any of the Mary

Washington's attempts to maintain possession of the ball.

The Eagles had another break midway into the first half when sophomore Annie Futato took a shot after a breakaway from defenders, the ball hit the top of the goal post this time.

It was like déjà vu for the Eagles when, for the second time of the game, the Falcons came back minutes after being denied by the goalpost to emphatically score, putting them up 2-0.

UMW was unable to recover from the 2-0 deficit going into halftime, with only four shots at goal in the game. Messiah sealed the deal in the second half, scoring for the third and final time to give them the win.

Glaeser attributes the loss in part to injuries. "I was protecting [sophomore] Kristina Ashwell, our starting sweeper, who was coming off a back injury and I took her out after about 15 minutes," he said. "When she wasn't on the field they scored their goals. I'm protecting one of my key players for the stretch and gave some other people opportunities and it didn't work out."

With Ashwell out McCarthy recorded five saves in goal, but wasn't able to get the job done. All negatives aside, Glaeser did see some improvement in his team's performance.

"I thought we actually played as much offense, if not more, against them then we have in our other games," he said. "But it's one thing to score goals against teams that aren't number two in the country but when you are playing those teams, you have to put all the pieces together. You have to have your A game and we didn't. I thought our effort was good but our execution wasn't."

After a convincing 7-0 win over Goucher College Tuesday, the Eagles will look to boost their 4-3 record when they face CAC conference rival York College of PA Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

With a much needed win Tuesday, Kingsbury remains optimistic about the rest of the season.

"I see these losses as something for the team to build off of and improve upon, you can't get better unless you play the best and find out how to beat them," said Kingsbury.



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Eagles Freshman Lauren Harkness attempts to advance the ball down the field during Saturday's game against Messiah College. Despite putting forth a strong effort, the Eagles had a disappointing 3-0 loss against Messiah College, but managed to bounce back Tuesday with a 7-0 shut out over Goucher College.

Volleyball Squad Gets Served

Eagles beat undefeated Randolph-Macon, Lose To Catholic

By AMANDA BURNHAM
Assistant Sports Editor

The University of Mary Washington volleyball team is remaining confident despite falling 4-6 early in the season.

After getting a big 3-2 win against undefeated Randolph-Macon earlier in the week, the Eagles dropped a pair of matches at the Catholic University Invitational last weekend, losing to Catholic University with a score of 3-0 and to Messiah College with a score of 3-1.

Team co-captain sophomore Acadia Owen is convinced that the team isn't let down at all despite two consecutive losses.

"The game against Randolph-Macon was an amazing game," she said. "In most games there are usually one or two players who really shine, but I don't think that was the case at all in this game. Everyone came together for the win."

The team had come back from a 2-0 deficit early in the game to win 3-2.

Owen, who had 12 kills, was very pleased with the young team's effort against Randolph-Macon.

"It felt really great to put them in their place," she said.

Other strong performances for the Eagles included freshman Kaitlyn Butler, who recorded 43 assists, and sophomore Katy Foster, who had 12 digs.

Despite a convincing win over Randolph-Macon, UMW was physically drained and still celebrating their win over Randolph-Macon going into their game against Catholic University.

As a result the Eagles lacked that competitive drive needed to defeat Catholic.

Head Coach Dee Conway anticipated the season would start out like this, considering the team has 11 new players on the roster and is fairly inexperienced.

"We had a let down over the weekend and we didn't play to our potential," she said. "We are so

young that we haven't learned yet to harness our emotions."

Mary Washington was at a disadvantage from the start over the weekend, playing without their No. 2 outside hitter, co-captain junior Johanna Carpenter, who was out with an injury sustained in Thursday's game.

However, Conway did see some positive aspects of the Eagles' performance.

"We still had some great plays," she said. "Acadia stepped up and had some timely hits and freshman Kelley Hueber had a great couple of plays as well."

Hueber led the Eagles against Catholic with 14 kills, followed by Owen, who had five.

Owen continued to lead UMW against Messiah, recording eight kills and five solo blocks. Hueber contributed with 15 kills and freshman Sarah Tighe added five blocks.

Other key players were freshman Kathryn Carter with seven kills, and Foster with 11 digs.

Despite beginning the season with a losing record, Owen said that the team is maintaining a positive attitude in practices and in games.

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The team will look to get back on track when they face conference rival Marymount University Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Coach Conway is ready for such a challenge. "Every conference team is a rival for us," she said. "Marymount beat us twice last year, one of those times being in the conference tournament. I think it's our turn now."

Owen shares in Conway's enthusiasm.

"We had some very close games with them last year," said Owen. "It'll be good to go against a team with such great talent and put them up against this brand new Mary Washington team. We are all looking forward to it."

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Athlete of the Week

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THE TRIP - Leaving from Dulles International Airport in Washington on May 15, the group will fly to London for a six-day stay, and then travel to the continent to spend five days in Paris, four days in Berlin, three days in Copenhagen, and three days in Stockholm. There will be four days for travel between London and Paris (by train via the Chunnel under the English Channel), Paris and Berlin (by train), Berlin and Copenhagen (by bus and ferry) and Copenhagen and Stockholm (also by train). The group will return to Washington from Stockholm on June 9.

THE COURSE - This is a unique course for University of Mary Washington students. It does not duplicate what is already offered on the Fredericksburg campus but relies instead on material and experiences "on site." Interdisciplinary in nature and team-taught, this course, by taking advantage of the unique cultural and academic resources that exist in the five capital cities, provides students with unmatched opportunities for study and learning. Students will be asked to read from texts that contain materials pertinent to the intellectual, cultural, economic, and political contributions the five capital cities have made to European history. Students will also have the opportunity to attend an artistic performance in several of the cities and assess the artistic contributions of the societies with visits to major museums.

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QUESTIONS? - For further details, attend the Study Abroad Fair September 23 in the Great Hall or our information meeting at 5:00 p.m. in Monroe 202 on Wednesday, September 28. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Mr. Blakemore or Mr. Kramer (at extensions 1588 or 1495 respectively). The deadline for participation is October 7.

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HIS HOLINESS THE DALAI LAMA

Jessica Rigel in Dharmasala, India

So there I was, in a small but lovely room in Tushita Retreat Center, breaking my silence with Raya in order to learn how to put on my rose-silk Tibetan dress so that I might meet His Holiness, The Dalai Lama. I was nervous, awestruck, and excited even before our little group crammed into the Qualis' responsible for dropping us off outside the gates of His Holiness' complex. For days, I had walked here (cushion and water bottle in hand) to sit for hours in all kinds of weather desperately trying to pick up on my radio the frequency that would let me hear the words of this self-described "simple Buddhist monk" who has so inspired the world with his non-violent struggle. Now, in only minutes I would be guided into his glorious presence.

I took pictures in the waiting room in order to come back and say, "Oh, and this is our group before we met His Holiness. Don't we look excited?" How could I put into words the feelings churning inside of me?

Our waiting room time finally finished. We were lead through the gates, past a lovely garden, a basketball court, some buildings, and into a room filled with prizes. There was metal on wood from different rotary clubs in the United States proclaiming the greatness of this man who had won a Nobel Peace Prize. Who values metal on wood from a country that fails to even recognize the plight of your own? Nevertheless, all had been lovingly dusted and were carefully displayed behind glass cases for visitors to reflect on.

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University of Mary Washington junior, Jessica Rigel meets the Dalai Lama in Dharmasala, India

TÊTE DE VEAU

Julia Kroner in Montpellier, France

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Mary Ann Davidson eating mussels in Macerata, Italy

not eat meat. This meal had been preceded by equally as meaty, thought slightly more appealing, evenings around the table. First there was the plate of charcuterie, served with a wide array of fine cheese. Then the saucisses, cooked over an open flame at the beach, only to be surpassed by the carpaccio—raw meat, which "cooks" as it soaks in olive oil and lemon juice. But this tête, this was the pièce de résistance. >See TÊTE, page 4

I HAVE ALWAYS DEPENDED ON THE KINDNESS OF GEORG

Matthew Kirchner in Prague, Czech Republic

It was a pleasant day. The bus drivers had taken advantage of the break to wash up and change clothes for the twelve-hour trip and the scraggly guy with dread locks kissed his barefooted girlfriend goodbye. I'd like to think her name was Sonya, but who knows. Although they seemed dedicated, I couldn't help but think that the skateboarders at the station could use a little extra practice. As five o'clock approached it was time to board the bus with my "Kumpel" (also known as buddy), Burke from Boston, and head out for Prague. Alex, Wayne, and Sebastian, three swell German friends of ours, opted to drive, therefore saving us money and offering this wallet friendlier option of traveling to us only after we had purchased our bus tickets weeks ago.

We soon learned why the normally six hour trip took twice as long. Rather than going directly to Prague, we drove all over Germany picking up passengers first, including our soon to be savior and all around cool guy Georg. After many failed attempts at securing a hotel or hostel to stay in, we decided to just go for it and trust that we would work something out, even if it meant sleeping on a bench. The bus was full of Czechs, a German or two, two Americans, and the hybrid German-Czech superhero Georg.

While stopped for a bathroom break our glasses adorned, mustached future friend approached us for the first time. Georg had overheard Burke and I discussing what we were going to do at five o'clock in the morning in a country where we don't know the language, had no Czech currency, or a place to stay. > See GEORG, page 2

THAILAND AND CAMBODIA SUMMER 2006

By Erin Leach-Kemon

Nestled peacefully in the northeastern tip of Thailand is the rural monastery, Wat Tep Nimit. During the rainy season (brilliant sunlight with brief rain showers each day), monks voyage to this modest retreat and hold celebrations to recognize the beginning and end of the revered season.

Perhaps this image is faintly reminiscent of a National Geographic cover, however Professor David Ambuel, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Leidecker Chair of Asian Studies at the University of Mary Washington, is proposing a more vivid substitute: Summer Field Study in Thailand and Cambodia.

In the summer of 2006, Ambuel and a maximum of fifteen students will meet in Bangkok, Thailand for a three-week momentous feat in which they travel north from the capital, before exploring the northeastern region of Thailand, and then come full circle twenty days later for a return flight to the United States.

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HOST FAMILY TESTIMONY

Michelle Grunder in Chile and Costa Rica

Choosing to live with a host family might seem risky, scary, and somewhat like volunteering for a four-month sentence of lockdown. Nothing could be further from the truth. I spent one semester in southern Chile in 2002 and another in Costa Rica in 2004. Both semesters I chose to live with a host family and I can say, without hesitation, that the best part of each experience abroad were the relationships I developed with my mamá, papá, and hermanos.

I wasn't open to staying with a host family when I was first accepted to a study abroad program in Valdivia, Chile. I'd lived without parental supervision since moving to college and had grown up in a liberal household. I hardly wanted to start reporting my every move to the quasi-parents I'd be living with. Then there was the question of limited phone use, awkward break-

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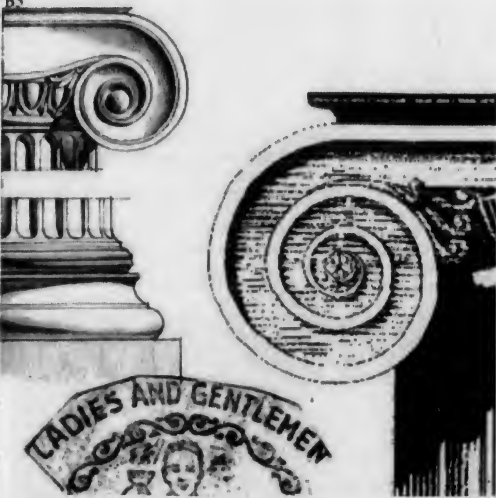
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The family was giddy with excitement. This was a traditional dish, one of their favorites, reserved only for the most special occasions. They had taken such pride as they served me, and now watched intently as I prepared to take my first bite, and, noticing my displeasure, very graciously swept my plate away, understanding that I had not yet acquired a taste for something so fine.

I went home, seeking solace and consolation from my "mother," who lightly chided me for not having revealed my little secret to them. But the true secret is that, as I lay in bed, I was proud, and only mildly dismayed, to have taken part in this ritual and tradition. I felt so very French, and took comfort in the fact that, in the morning, I could return to my vegetarian, pastry-eating ways.

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Now our time in the prize room was over and we were lead down a corridor and into a room, and suddenly there he was. Standing up, outside the door waiting to greet us individually with a hand shake and a smile was the most loving and radiant person I have seen in my entire life. Once our group had shuffled inside and seated ourselves around this beautiful human being, he asked us if we had any questions for him.

Um...yes, Holiness, I've got quite a few questions for you—hours and hours of listening to you speak recorded on miles and miles of paper could still not quench my curiosity about your life, your suffering, and your hopes for the future. But, we only got two. My group had generously volunteered me as one of those who would get to speak to His Holiness, so I nervously raised my eyes to meet those of this venerated being, and inquired:

"Holiness, how do you relate to the sufferings of your people (I mean, you live in a palace) and how are these sufferings useful in your everyday and religious life?" As usual, The Dalai Lama paused to think about the answer he would give me, a practice that seems to have lost its sacred nature in the West, and then began his response. "I don't know how many times he had answered this exact same question, or questions similar to it, and yet it seemed to him to be as fresh a response as it was to me.

His reply was that no matter how separate he was from his people, spiritually, he was always close to them in matters of the heart, when they suffered, he suffered. Although he was raised in a palace, he said that as a child he associated often with the common people who lived outside the palace walls. His family, then, they would treat him as a commoner, in spite of his title, and they would treat him as a commoner every day. Tibetan people. As for religious matters, he incorporated the suffering of others as much as he could. When he himself was suffering, His Holiness cited the suffering of others as a time when he was truly suffering. He spent the night in a small, simple, sleepless hall, dripping sweat, and he was lying on the inevitable mat of straw. The Dalai Lama instead of being a prince he'd witnessed that day. The

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fast conversations, and frighteningly questionable meals. I quickly had to placate my nagging doubts and preoccupations when I received a letter alerting me that the Valdivia program eliminated the on-campus dorm option. Whether I liked it or not, I was going to be doing a homestay and it was undoubtedly the best decision I didn't have to make.

As for those nagging doubts, I never had anything to worry about. Host families have generally been involved in study abroad programs before and understand teenagers, specifically college-aged American students in a far away land. Little issues like phone use, laundry, etc. can easily be taken care of with a quick conversation upon arrival. My families in both Chile and Costa Rica encouraged me to get out, see the city, and enjoy myself. Needless to say, curfews were not an issue.

Any minor annoyance or awkward moment is far overshadowed by the myriad of benefits. My host mom in Chile made me Jello every time I got sick, taught me how to make arroz con leche, and set up a hammock for me in the back garden so I had a place to read. Think that's sweet? My host mom in Costa Rica threw me a party four months before my birthday because she couldn't bear the thought of missing my actual birthday. Homestays provide students with a warm environment that can't necessarily be afforded by other living options.

Of course, the best way to learn about a culture is to jump right into it. Staying with a host family is the easiest way to eat traditional food, celebrate different cultural holidays, and practice the native language. The second time around, I didn't choose a homestay for those reasons. By opting to live with a host family I got a support system comprised of warm people willing to be my mother, father, and brother. I got charlas over dinner about dirty words in Spanish, discussions about American foreign policy, and hours of card games.

Host families choose to be a part of their abroad program, which means that they want students to live in their homes. Whether they want students for conversation and company, a splash of youthful excitement, or simply monetary compensation, keeping their host children happy is a welcome concern. You've already made an amazing decision in opting to study abroad. Make your next choice be your best choice. Live with a host family.

by a fat mustached man bent on consumption of the creature, or the pains of an old, homeless beggar who was obviously very sick and who resolutely stretched out on his palette in the streets with no one to look after or care from him in his hour of need.

His Holiness felt much better after reflecting on the suffering of these sentient beings, in spite of his own awful state. He had people around to care for him while he was sick, and he certainly wouldn't share the fate of the unfortunate chicken! His Holiness then expounded on his point by expressing his worry about my generation, the current generation of Westerners, who he feels run in the face of hardship instead of facing it head on like our forefathers, the pilgrims, had done. This last part was said with a deep chuckle of merriment and satisfaction, and only when this lengthy answer had been given did The Dalai Lama thank me for my question and break my gaze.

The session proceeded from there. Antonia asked a question about how His Holiness copes with the pressure placed upon him by the world and by the Tibetan people, a question which he interrupted with gleeful laughter and the reply, "It is ridiculous!" He continued this answer to express his gratefulness for the Tibetans' loyalty to him, but the humility he maintained about his position was uncanny. He talked more about how the Chinese were foolish to undermine the spirit and determination of the Tibetan people, and about how they were even more foolish to believe that he would die soon, and that with him, so would this spirit. He concluded our brief, but intensely meaningful session by reminding us to keep hope alive for Tibet and to express to the West what we encountered with him—the hope for a free nation of Tibet.

We thanked him as profusely as possible, then strolled out to a garden area where we offered him the traditional white khataks which he blessed and placed around our necks. I glowed in his presence. I was locked into his eyes, and I yearned simply to be allowed near to him for longer, but alas, our time was finished. We paused for one more brief moment to take a group photo, and then he had to move onto other audiences with other people, and a country to represent and save. No small task for an ordinary man, but you could tell that he was not ordinary. He radiated strength, hope, peace, happiness, love, and an intense grace that put all those around him at rest.

And then it was over. We left the complex, passing back through the gates which had just moments ago held such promise. Now we were all noticeably excited and bursting with joy. We just met The Dalai Lama! We had just encountered a world leader, Nobel Prize winner, author, sage, religious figurehead, and cuddly grandfather all rolled into one saffron and maroon enveloped package! What an enormous privilege. I of course, wept like a little girl with a combined emotional concoction of gratitude, bliss, and sadness as soon as we were back in "the real world." Life goal number one had just been checked off my list, and though I was definitely smiling because it happened, a part of me was crying because it was over. After waiting for this moment for so long, filling the time by reading his books, looking at his picture, listening to his voice, observing his delicate and ceremonial entrance at the teachings everyday, watching films about his life and his struggles just to realize the brunt of what had just happened to me was more than a little overwhelming and surreal: I was on cloud nine!

We've now left Dharmasala, and in spite of the fact that I have had plenty of time to reflect and "recover" from my encounter with the rebirth of compassion, I am still absolutely awestruck at my encounter with His Holiness the Dalai Lama. I don't think I'll ever really be able to express in words the gifts that he has given me just by smiling at me, let alone through all he's endured and shared with the world. May all beings be Happy.

Most abundant in Thailand is cane sugar, coconuts, bananas, mushrooms, tapioca, seafood, exotic fruits, rice. And, regardless of the incessant stereotype, not all Thai food is spicy. During my interview of Ambuel, he mentioned that in Thailand one does not go into a restaurant, order from a menu, and eat one's own dish. Instead, several orders are placed by the entire party and are then placed at the center of the table for all to share. Having taught as a visiting Fulbright teacher in Bangkok and mastered a fluency in Thai, Ambuel's experience allowed him to share multiple examples of cultural differences.

For instance, "Spiritually, the feet are the lowest part of the body and the head is the highest," stated Ambuel. "It is considered incredibly insulting to touch someone's head, point your toes at someone, or stand so that you're looking over top of another's head."

Ambuel explained that while the culture abroad may surprise you, "the real culture shock is when you get back." For applications and further information see the program website at <http://www.thai-study.org>.



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a Thai classical dance dinner in Bangkok; a visit to the Baan Chiang archeological site and museum in Udon Thani; a two day-two night stay at the aforementioned monastery, Wat Tep Nimit, including an introduction to meditation; ancient rock paintings in Pa Tam; and an opportunity to view the five-and-a-half tons of gold Buddha statue at Wat Trimit. An integral part of experiencing these icons of Thai culture would be experiencing Thai food as well.



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HIS HOLINESS THE DALAI LAMA

by David Burke in Dharamsala, India

So much I have in common with the young Buddhist monk, breaking into a smile with Rava in order to let me know I am not alone. All Tibetan monks that I met to meet the Dalai Lama. I was nervous, awkward, and a little bit of a fool. I had a group of friends and I was responsible for dropping us off outside the gates of the Potala Palace. I had a group of friends and I was responsible for dropping us off outside the gates of the Potala Palace. I had a group of friends and I was responsible for dropping us off outside the gates of the Potala Palace.



Meeting of the Dalai Lama with a group of people in Dharamsala, India.

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by Matthew Kennedy in Leipzig, Germany

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Yet the change in year brought a change in company, and, with that, a change in my dining experiences. I met a lovely family who took great pleasure in serving me only the finest French delicacies. They derived such pleasure, in fact, that I did not have the heart to tell them I do



Mary Ann Davidson eating mussels in Macerata, Italy

not eat meat. This meal had been preceded by, equally as meaty, thought slightly more appealing, evenings around the table. First there was the plate of charcuterie, served with a wide array of fine cheese. Then the saucisses, cooked over an open flame at the beach, only to be surpassed by the carpaccio—raw meat, which "cooks" as it soaks in olive oil and lemon juice. But this tête, this was the pièce de résistance. See TÊTE, page 4

HOST FAMILY TESTIMONY

by Michelle Grander in Chile and Costa Rica

Choosing to live with a host family might seem risky, scary, and somewhat like volunteering for a four-month sentence of lockdown. Nothing could be further from the truth. I spent one semester in southern Chile in 2002 and another in Costa Rica in 2004. Both semesters I chose to live with a host family and I can say, without hesitation, that the best part of each experience abroad were the relationships I developed with my mama, papa, and hermanos.

I wasn't open to staying with a host family when I was first accepted to a study abroad program in Valdivia, Chile. I'd lived without parental supervision since moving to college and had grown up in a liberal household. I hardly wanted to start reporting my every move to the quasi-parents I'd be living with. Then there was the question of limited phone use, awkward break-

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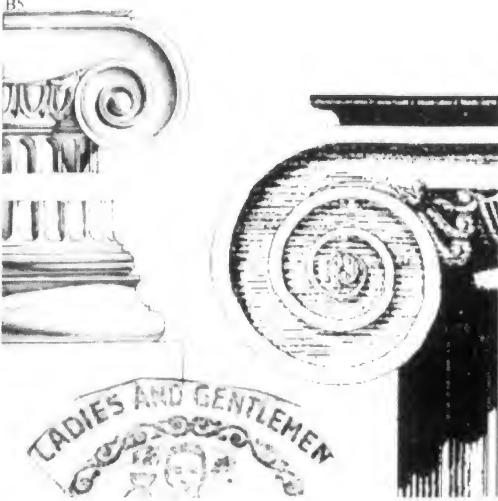
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by a fat mustached man bent on consumption of the creature, or the pangs of an old, homeless beggar who was obviously very sick and who resolutely stretched out on his palette in the streets with no one to look after or care from him in his hour of need.

His Holiness felt much better after reflecting on the suffering of these sentient beings in spite of his own awful state. He had people around to care for him while he was sick, and he certainly wouldn't share the fate of the unfortunate chicken! His Holiness then expounded on his point by expressing his worry about my generation, the current generation of Westerners, who he feels run in the face of hardship instead of facing it head on like our forefathers, the pilgrims, had done. This last part was said with a deep chuckle of merriment and satisfaction, and only when this lengthy answer had been given did The Dalai Lama thank me for my question and break my gaze.

The session proceeded from there. Antonia asked a question about how His Holiness copes with the pressure placed upon him by the world and by the Tibetan people, a question which he interrupted with gleeful laughter and the reply, "It is ridiculous!" He continued this answer to express his gratefulness for the Tibetans' loyalty to him, but the humility he maintained about his position was uncanny. He talked more about how the Chinese were foolish to undermine the spirit and determination of the Tibetan people, and about how they were even more foolish to believe that he would die soon, and that with him, so would this spirit. He concluded our brief, but intensely meaningful session by reminding us to keep hope alive for Tibet and to express to the West what we encountered with him—the hope for a free nation of Tibet.

We thanked him as profusely as possible, then strolled out to a garden area where we offered him the traditional white khataks which he blessed and placed around our necks. I glowed in his presence. I was looked into his eyes, and I yearned simply to be allowed near to him for longer, but alas, our time was finished. We paused for one more brief moment to take a group photo, and then he had to move onto other audiences with other people, and a country to represent and save. No small task for an ordinary man, but you could tell that he was not ordinary. He radiated strength, hope, peace, happiness, love, and an intense grace that put all those around him at rest.

And then it was over. We left the complex, passing back through the gates which had just moments ago held such promise. Now we were all noticeably excited and bursting with joy. We just met The Dalai Lama! We had just encountered a world leader, Nobel Prize winner, author, sage, religious figurehead, and cuddly grandfather all rolled into one siffon and maroon enveloped package! What an enormous privilege. I, of course, wept like a little girl with a combined emotional concoction of gratitude, bliss, and sadness as soon as we were back in "the real world." Life goal number one had just been checked off my list, and though I was definitely smiling because it happened, a part of me was crying because it was over. After waiting for this moment for so long, filling the time by reading his books, looking at his picture, listening to his voice, observing his delicate and ceremonial entrance at the teachings everyday, watching films about his life and his struggles just to realize the brunt of what had just happened to me was more than a little overwhelming and surreal. I was on cloud nine!

We've now left Dharmasala, and in spite of the fact that I have had plenty of time to reflect and "recoiler" from my encounter with the rebirth of compassion, I am still absolutely awestruck at my encounter with His Holiness the Dalai Lama. I don't think I'll ever really be able to express in words the gifts that he has given me just by smiling at me, let alone through all he's endured and shared with the world. May all beings be happy.

Most abundant in Thailand is cane sugar, coconuts, bananas, mushrooms, taproot, seafood, exotic fruits, rice, and, regardless of the incessant stereotype, not all Thai food is spicy. During my interview of Ambuel, he mentioned that in Thailand one does not go into a restaurant, order from a menu, and eat one's own dish. Instead several orders are placed by the entire party and are then placed at the center of the table for all to share. Having taught as a visiting Fulbright teacher in Bangkok and mastered a fluency in Thai, Ambuel's experience allowed him to share multiple examples of cultural differences.

For instance, "Spiritually, the feet are the lowest part of the body and the head is the highest," stated Ambuel. "It is considered incredibly insulting to touch someone's head, point your toes at someone, or stand so that you're looking over top of another's head."

Ambuel explained that while the culture abroad may surprise you, "the real culture shock is when you get back." For applicable and further information, visit www.mw.edu/study abroad or www.thaiinfo.com.

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The family was mildly, with excitement. This was a traditional dish, one of those favorites reserved only for the most special occasions. They had taken such pride as they served me, and now watched intently as I prepared to take my first bite, and, noticing my displeasure, very graciously swept my plate away, understanding that I had not yet acquired a taste for something so fine.

I went home seeking solace and consolation from my "mother," who lightly chide me for not having revealed my little secret to them. But the true secret is that, as I lay in bed I was proud, and only mildly dismayed, to have taken part in this ritual and tradition. I felt so very French, and took comfort in the fact that, in the morning, I could return to my vegetable, pastry-eating ways.

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Now our time in the prayer room was over, and we were lead down a corridor and into a room, and suddenly there he was. Standing outside the door waiting to greet us individually with a hand shake and a smile was the most loving and radiant person I have seen in my entire life. Once our group had shuffled inside and seated ourselves around this beautiful human being, he asked us if we had any questions for him.

I'm yes, Holiness. I've got quite a few questions for you, hours and hours of listening to you speak recorded on tapes and tapes of tapes could still not quench my curiosity about your life, your suffering, and your hopes for the future. But we only got two. My group had generously volunteered me as one of those who would get to speak to His Holiness, so I nervously raised my eyes to meet those of this venerated being, and inquired, "Holiness, how do you relate to the sufferings of your people? I mean, you live in a palace and how are these sufferings useful to you every day and religious life?" As usual, the Dalai Lama paused to think about the answer he would give me, a practice that seems to have lost its sacred nature in the West, and then began his response. God only knows how many times he had answered this exact same question, or questions similar to it, and yet it seemed to him to be as fresh a response as it was to me.

His reply was that, no matter how separate he was from his people geographically, he was always close to them in matters of the heart: when they suffered, he suffered. Although he was raised in a palace, he said that as a child he migrated often with his sweepers, who lived outside the palace with their families. Often they would treat him as their own child, in spite of his title, and they always brought him new, of the everyday Tibetans in Lhasa. As for religious matters, he incorporated the suffering of others as much as he could when he himself was suffering. His Holiness cited specific instances of a time when he was traveling and he got very ill. He spent the night curled in a cramped, sleepless ball, dripping sweat, but instead of focusing on the inevitable magnitude of his own pain, The Dalai Lama instead reflected on the pain he'd witnessed that day. The

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fast conversations, and frightenedly, I gave in, unable to resist. I quickly tried to put away my nagging doubts and press my nose against the screen of a letter, hoping that the... Valdivia program eliminated the stamp-out option. When I liked it, I was going to be doing a homestay, and it was undoubtedly the best decision I had made to make.

As for those nagging doubts, I never had anything to worry about. Host families have generally been in good luck in study abroad programs before, and most of stand teenagers, specifically, I did decide. American students in a homestay have a lot of issues like phone use, laundry, etc., but generally be taken care of with a quick conversation upon arrival. My homestay in Costa Rica and Costa Rica encouraged me to go out and see the city, and enjoy myself. See them? I say, curfew was not an issue.

Any minor annoyances that I did encounter were far overshadowed by the amount of benefits. My host mom in Chile made me, hello every time I got sick, brought me to make arroz con leche, and even a fruit mask for me in the back. I honestly had a place to rest. Thank that! I saw. My host mom in Costa Rica threw me a party four months before my birthday because she couldn't bear the thought of missing my actual birthday. Homestay sponsors students with a warm environment that can easily be afforded by other living options.

Of course, the best way to learn about a culture is to jump right into it. Staying with a host family is the easiest way to eat traditional food, celebrate different cultural holidays, and practice the native language. The second time around, I didn't choose a homestay for those reasons. By opting to live with a host family, I opted a support system comprised of warm people willing to be my mother, father, and brother. I got charlas over dinner about daily work in Spanish, discussions about American foreign policy, and hours of crib games.

Host families choose to take a part of their abroad program, which means that they want students to live in their homes. Whether they want students for conversation and company, a splash of youthful excitement, or simply monetary compensation, keeping their host children happy is a welcome concern. You've already made an amazing decision in opting to study abroad. Make your next choice be your best choice. Live with a host family.



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A Thai classical dance dinner in Bangkok; a visit to the Ban Chiang archaeological site and museum in Udon Thani, a two-day, two-night stay at the aforementioned monastery Wat Tep Nimit, including an introduction to meditation, ancient rock paintings in the Tam, and an opportunity to view the five-and-a-half-ton gold Buddha statue at Wat Phnom. An integral part of experiencing these realms of Thai culture would be experiencing Thai food as well.

WATCH OUT!

Leprechauns Will Bite

By Brendan Whyte

You would think that any normal, rational person would not travel to a foreign country just to be closer to his favorite band. Although the group U2 was a huge influence in my decision to study in Ireland, they were not the only reason. That would be a little extreme and obsessive. I'm not like that.

My older sister, Emily studied in London for a semester and had the time of her life visiting Dublin. I didn't know where I wanted to study abroad at the time, but was sold on her experiences there. I found it easy to fall in love with Dublin because it was so different from any other city I had ever visited, including the places I was fortunate enough to travel over the course of the semester. I joined a study tour to Italy for ten days and visited Milan, Florence, and Rome in a hot air balloon over Rome. I traveled to France with my family, and visited Switzerland, Germany, The Czech Republic, and England later on with friends. Each country was incredibly beautiful and different, but Dublin still took the cake.

Dublin conveyed the European sophistication of a big city while feeling like my backyard at the same time. This was impressive. It wasn't overwhelming (with the exception of St. Patrick's Day) or intimidating, and it was possible to walk from one end to the other in forty minutes. Outside the city, Ireland had some of the most beautiful and dramatic landscapes I had ever seen. What more could I ask for? Most importantly, Dublin made me feel like I belonged.

Aside from the Guinness, Dublin is most famous for its people. Their friendliness, hospitality, and ability to have a conversation about almost anything just floored me on a

daily basis. The cab driver who picked me up from the airport couldn't hold his tongue for more than three seconds at most. He introduced me, rather quickly, to Irish wit and mannerisms. Once I asked for directions to a bus stop, but the Dubliner who I encountered didn't know and apologized. After I walked a hundred yards down the street, he came sprinting out of the pub door to catch up with me. He told me, between catching his breath, that he remembered how to get there. Then he showed me the way. That one experience probably best exemplified what Dublin was really all about.

It's a cliché to say that it's not possible to fully appreciate a different country's culture and language unless you live there, but nothing can be closer to the truth. On the side, I was able to visit the places where the members of U2 grew up, went to school together, and cut their best albums. It was bliss.

In short, travel abroad if you have the opportunity. It can be expensive, but if you truly want to go, then apply for scholarships, take out loans, or sell your shiny Jetta. You'll have an amazing and unique experience that no one will ever be able to take away from you. Experience it now before you graduate and become too busy moving out of your parent's basement. When will you most likely have the chance to live abroad for months at a time? It's called retirement, and it's a long way from now.

Studying abroad isn't absolutely for everyone, but if you don't mind adventures, meeting people, and learning things that can't be taught in a classroom, start thinking about your destination. You won't regret it. Oh, and if you go to Ireland, leprechauns do exist. They stand six inches tall, are stronger than they look, and bite. Use caution.

A WORLD WITHOUT JIF

You never know what you will miss...

By Kiera Evans

The list of "things missed when you live in a foreign country" seems to be getting longer each day I stay in BsAs. There are some I never would have thought that I'd miss. A particular lyric rings true: "you don't know what you have till it's gone." You know what's gone? Peanut butter. That's right, peanut butter. One of the most important food groups to any college student (right under Ramen and Chipotle).

The quest for peanut butter has actually become a game to many exchange students here. We have it sent, ask incoming visitors to bring it, and we search every store for it. You're probably asking why? I mean it's only peanut butter. The fact is, we can't get it here which makes it that much more appetizing. Yeah, Argentina has its dulce de leche (which is found on everything in this country). And yes, it is a good replacement for the creamy goodness of peanut butter. But sometimes, a kid just needs some peanut butter. And, this kid refuses to shop in a Walmart in South America... yes they are here too.



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He began offering grandfatherly advice about watching your luggage like a hawk, reminding pickpockets, and where to exchange money in the train station. Just before getting back on the bus he said he would call a relative of his when we arrived and see if she could give us a tip on a place to stay. We thought this was nice of him but didn't expect it to pan out to anything.

At three a.m. we reached the border between Germany and Czechoslovakia. The border police took our passports, and in true racial profiling style walked up and down the aisles of the bus shining a flashlight in our faces and picked the two twenty-something hippies with dread locks to search in their office. Twenty minutes passed and no drugs were found; we were back on our way. I imagine the seats were crafted according to the blueprints of catholic nuns wishing proper posture for all bus travelers, for they couldn't have been more uncomfortable. Sleep wasn't an option, so I stared at the digital clock and temperature display at the front of the bus all night noting the slight change in Celsius, raising my eyebrow as if wanting to make some trite remark about how the weather has been so terrible this year and the like, which it really was.

Five o'clock came and everyone left save Burke, me, and of course Georg. We just stood there pondering our next move when Georg said to follow him. He led us to a subway stop where, while he voluntarily purchased our tickets for us, a little girl approached this luggage and walked away with it. I stopped her and said it didn't belong to her to which she shrugged her shoulders and walked off with her on looking mother around the corner. When we arrived at the main station he walked us around to money exchange centers, all still closed as it was still terribly early. Soon accommodation agency windows opened up and he walked me down to talk with a man about getting a room. Georg is quite well versed in Czech as well as German, as we would later find out that he is a translator. He spoke with the man in Czech for a few minutes then turned to me and said in German that he told the man not to give me a bum deal. After making a few phone calls we found an extra room in a small old man's house supposedly just ten minutes away, but ended up being close to twenty-five. At that point the price was okay, and it was a place.

After this great find, Georg took Burke and me to a coffee shop where he bought us each a cappuccino and we got to know this mystery man a little better. He is in his mid-thirties, born in Czechoslovakia, but learned German while serving as a soldier. For a long time now he has served as a translator for German and Czech business men traveling between the two countries. We happened to catch him on a pleasure trip, though. He insisted that we should exchange a few euros with him as he would charge no interest so that we could at least be assured to have some money for lunch. Before parting he gave us his combination business card, 2005 pocket calendar, and told us to give him a call and we could meet for dinner while we were there.

I regret to inform you that we did not meet for dinner. The details of why may bore you. I'll spare you the time talking about how we went to the Czech hockey team's victory party and saw Jaromir Jagr there, Wayne getting grinded on by a toothless prostitute at five-thirty a.m., being attacked by harbor boats while in our paddle boats next to the Charles Bridge, teaching our German friends a few choice vulgar phrases in English per their request in a castle only to have them scream them at oncoming tourists, eating KFC at two a.m., buying decent beer for eight crowns (also known as really cheap), playing chess in the botanical garden, etc. We did however meet up with Georg on the trip back. He had in the meantime been arrested, released, and came across a rather decent amount of money. That's another story, though.

FACES OF ORVIETO

Creating an Extended Family Abroad

By Katherine Swanson

If a town were to have a face, something to make it stand out or be defined, Orvieto would almost certainly be characterized by the Duomo's façade. The towering church has a commanding presence in the ancient city, located in Italy's region of Umbria. Not only is it decorated with ornate mosaics highlighted with gold, but it has been the spiritual and social center of the town since its construction.

town as I and the other students were able to. The opportunity to live in a place so different from my own home is of the most valuable I have had.

To me, the face of Orvieto is made up of not only the Duomo, but other favorite locations in the city, and the people I met there. The owner of the bar around the corner from my apartment became one of the favorites of many students on the trip. He was always spoiling us with extra attention. Before our



This past July I spent a month in Orvieto to take part in an immersion program offered by the Italian Department at Mary Washington. From Mary Washington there were sixteen students and Professor Scheider, who taught the classes along with a group from the University of Milan. At the end of the month I was regretful to leave the city I had come to know quite well. In one short month the Duomo became just one of many faces by which I define Orvieto.

Each day on our way to and from class we would watch tourists flow in and out, gaze at the Duomo and move awkwardly through the small streets. Because of its small size, few tourists actually spend the night in Orvieto, let alone have the chance to get to know the

final exam he made our morning cappuccinos with "yes" written in chocolate for extra encouragement. The woman down the street who owned a small store selling bread, cheese, and wine was one of the nicest to her customers, always helping us to find the perfect bottle of wine, or type of bread that we needed. In addition to meeting those who worked in Orvieto, we also met a number of Italians our own age. Similar to us, they were on summer break from University and eager to meet other students from around the world.

The end of the program brought a bittersweet feeling: the trip was great and the experience amazing, but the place we had all grown fond of, very far away.

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long ago. The University of Erfurt, the third oldest in Germany, was a center of German Humanism in the 16th century. Martin Luther studied there. In later years the Bach family, Humboldt, and Napoleon played a role in the history of Erfurt. In 1991, after the reunification of Germany, it became the capital of Thuringia and is now recognized as an economic, intellectual, cultural, and political center. Thus, courses in Erfurt provide a unique opportunity for University of Mary Washington students for German to be immersed in German culture. Contact Dr. Rotter in Modern Foreign Languages for details.

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Strolling along the Ile de la Cité (the Cathédrale de Notre Dame, the Chapel of Sainte-Chapelle and the Conciergerie), students will view the intricacies of this highly esteemed city. Before heading for Berlin, a walking tour will occur in the aesthetically pleasing Montmartre.

Twelve days into the trip the tour

will observe historical goldmines in Berlin, Germany like the Reichstag, the Cecilienhof Palace, the site of the Potsdam Conference, and the home of Frederick the Great all before their bus and ferry ride to Copenhagen. In Copenhagen, Denmark, the tour will travel through the old town district before undergoing the tour: "Jewish Heritage in Copenhagen," and catching a train to Stockholm, Sweden. After a day of experiencing the historic district of Stockholm on foot, students will spend a full day aboard a boat viewing the Stockholm archipelago. John Kramer, Distinguished Professor of Political Science, is Mary Washington's resident expert on modern

European politics, with an emphasis on the former Soviet Union and Eastern European. Porter Blakemore, Associate Professor of History, is also a modern Europeanist whose teaching and research fields include diplomatic, military, German and contemporary history. Both Mr. Kramer and Mr. Blakemore have traveled widely throughout Europe and have taken student groups abroad on thirteen earlier occasions.

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AROUND THE WORLD & BACK

More Questions than Answers

By Abby Lindsay

Four months doesn't sound like a long time. "Going abroad" doesn't sound monumental. I had already caught the traveling bug on various studying, mission, and research trips to Latin America, but this International Honors Program would not only take me to one, but three countries outside of the Western Hemisphere, and it would let me study there. Following my interest in studying the environment and sustainability in developing countries and knowing that their cities are rapidly growing and often devastating the environment, I focused on studying cities and urban planning in more depth. We had a mix of observation, guest speakers, field excursions, and discussions. We've scratched the surface of more topics than I can count by comparing, contrasting, and relating them. We've run in circles with concepts such as globalization, development, consumption, and sustainability. Involving all of these, one of the threads that we found running through our travels was modernization. Although we only had a taste of each place, perhaps a brief tour of my semester will show you that this theme is relevant everywhere.

Our first destination was Bangalore, India. A cultural richness runs through the veins of this south Indian city: women walk around in traditional saris and sarwar suits, mosques and temples dot the streets, and people only eat with their right hand (that means no utensils either). As we examined Bangalore more closely, we saw that it is undergoing rapid expansion and transformation. It is the Silicon Valley of India, drawing those IT (Information and Technology) workers who left India back to their native country in what they call the "reverse brain drain." Considering that the region was not very developed previously, the rushed catch-up game is increasing economic inequality.

A tug of war is being played between the westernization that constant advertisements of multinational corporations bring, such as the underwear ads on one of the busiest streets, contrasted with the traditionally accepted mode of dress where women do not show their upper arms. Modernization, however has been a contributing force to the development, for flyover streets have been built to accommodate more cars, trash is piling up in the city streets, and the water supply has become polluted.

Before we knew it, we were on a plane

for New Zealand. A layover of twelve hours in Bangkok gave us just a taste of Thailand. I fell in love with Auckland before the plane even landed just at the sight of the blue ocean and greenery bordering the city. The country was a breath of fresh air, literally and figuratively; the lifestyles and foods don't require the adaptation that India's did (although that was half the fun in India). Auckland shares the



suburban sprawl and car economy that we are so used to. Although the country has a large amount of land, considering it holds only four million people and the streets are visibly clean, the Ecological Footprint begins to tell a different story.

An Ecological Footprint is a calculation of the land mass needed to sustain a person or a country based on the natural resources used and waste generated (try it out at www.myfootprint.org). Kiwis, as New Zealanders call themselves, on average consume a lot. Due to this, New Zealand's average per person Ecological Footprint is not far from the United States' (which, unsurprisingly, is the highest). Their high consumption causes the other major contributor, waste: Kiwis generate one of the highest per capita amounts of waste in the world. Not to mention that they import/export a lot, buy a lot, and drive a lot.

Switching seasons from fall to spring, we reached Beijing, our final destination. There was an initial shock for me coming from New Zealand's colorful landscape to China's gray air pollution and cookie cutter high-rises. By this point we felt like pros. We could navigate our way around the city and "read the city" even without knowing

Mandarin (although, not sharing more than twenty words directly with my host parents proved interesting). Beijing is set up grid-style for their traditional hutongs and courtyard houses, but recently they've been demolishing those in order to build high-rise apartments. There are still several beautiful preserved areas like the Forbidden City and Summer Palace, but the skyline of the city is changing, especially as they are modernizing in preparation for the 2008 Olympics. The government has a strong hand in deciding what changes happen, but I was surprised at the amount that capitalism drives the everyday life within the city. With food, for example, there are more imported fruits and more individually wrapped processed foods than there used to be. There are also negative effects of capitalism: the rich culinary tradition and importance placed on food is being lost, for there are fewer local markets and local economic benefits, and more oil is spent on transportation of goods. Bringing this back to the

Ecological Footprint, as Chinese citizens consume more goods, drive more cars instead of bikes, and generate more trash, their Ecological Footprint is increasing. Beijing alone has three to four times the number of people as all of New Zealand. What would happen to the entire country's Ecological Footprint if each person had the lifestyle of an average Kiwi? Or worse, an average American? Can the earth sustain that?

Taking up even more of my brain space are the questions that keep popping up. No matter what country we are in on this planet and what stage of development it's at, there are forces of globalization and development that tie it together with other places. Upon my return to the United States, people love to hear about seeing the Great Wall, hiking in the Lord of the Rings land, and eating foods that make you cry. These more tangible images only skim the surface, and it is difficult to share what these past few months have really meant to me and how I think of the world. Modernization is only one of the themes that preoccupied my mind. I've come back with more questions than I went in with, and I love it!

Hitchhiking to Hogwarts

By Mary Weber

Friends are amazing, awesome, and if you're really lucky they will let you drag them all over the United Kingdom. During my time abroad, I met up with a fellow Mary Washington student (also one of my best friends) and her friend. In two weeks, we went for a whirlwind tour of France and the United Kingdom including visits to the Eiffel Tower, Buckingham Palace, the York Minister, and dozens of other unique spots. My favorite spontaneous trip was to Hogwarts, the esteemed wizarding school featured in the Harry Potter novel series.

While the school is fictitious, the filming for the movies occurred at the home of the Duke of Northumberland in Alnwick, England. This location wasn't part of our itinerary and I had only previously joked about attending. However, through my slight obsession with the Harry Potter stories, I realized that this location was right on our way to Edinburgh. In the village of Alnwick we waited for a bus to take us to the location of the castle. We were picked up by two very nice ladies who drove us the ten miles into the next village and deposited us right outside the gate.

The Duke is one lucky guy; his home is amazing. The castle is huge and only six rooms are open to the public during the summer months. I promptly called my mom just to say that I was at Hogwarts. There is a massive wall around the castle, then the grounds, and finally the castle. They even had a poster where the scene of broomstick learning took place. Outside the outer wall were fields of green, yellow, and



white, with fresh grass, daffodils, and sheep. Yes, lots and lots of sheep! We tried to go play with them, but alas, they ran from us. There is also a massive garden that has a huge tree house spanning the length of two blocks, a poison garden, a rose garden, and about a million other plants. We finally left Hogwarts to catch a bus back to the train, and continued up to Edinburgh. I still cannot believe how lucky I was to be able to study abroad. Visiting Hogwarts was just one of the countless memories I will have for the rest of my life.

The Basque Country & Bilbao

Conducted by Professor Jose A. Sainz

Bilbao is a modern and metropolitan city, located in the Basque country, a northern province of Spain that borders the Cantabrian Sea to the north and the Pyrenees Mountains and France to the east/northeast. Although known in the past as the industrial and financial capital of the north, Bilbao is undergoing tremendous changes these days, including the recent opening of the Guggenheim museum.

Today's Bilbao is bustling, friendly and beautiful. It is big enough to offer all the diversity and advantages of a city, and yet still small enough to be "manageable." One can easily walk almost anywhere—from the "Casco Viejo" (old town) to the shopping and business district, to the Guggenheim and back across the river to the university. A new metro system connects downtown with the surrounding neighborhoods.

The Basque Country (País Vasco) is one of Spain's 17 "comunidades autónomas," and is one example of Spain's rich cultural and linguistic diversity. Home of the Basque people, who, although connected to the rest of Spain for centuries through political and economic ties, have retained their distinct culture and language. Nearby is the town of Guernica, the historical center of Basque culture and the site of one of the worst tragedies of the Spanish civil war. This region also boasts some of Spain's most beautiful beaches and mountains, and is famous for its delicious seafood.

The Universidad de Deusto is a private Catholic university, established and run by the Jesuits. Founded in 1886, UD has become a thoroughly modern university, and prides itself on its participation in numerous international study programs. It is located on the banks of the Ibaizabal River across from the Guggenheim museum.

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News

UMW Going Wireless

By EVA WOLFBERG
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Students may notice their laptops are picking up more wireless signals on campus this fall. The University of Mary Washington is beginning a campus-wide wireless networking initiative for the 2005-2006 school year, but the initiative is not without complication.

According to the University Web site there are currently wireless network connections in the Simpson Library and the Jepson Alumni Executive Center.

This fall semester, Woodard Campus Center, including the Eagle's Nest, is wireless-ready. All of the academic buildings will become wireless this year, thanks to the wireless networking initiative.

"The great thing about wireless from my perspective is that access to the Internet, an important part of our resource provision, becomes more ubiquitous as more students use their Blackberrys and laptops," said LeRoy Strohl, head of Simpson library.

"The access becomes more stateless as the connectivity is not limited to a wire and port connection," Strohl said.

Some students have had problems with accessing and signing on to the wireless network.

"When you first sign on you need to download [the program] Clean Access Agent," said Michele Hoffmann, a junior American studies major. "Each time you use the wireless again, you have to re-download it. I just sign on as a guest because I don't want to download it."

However, other students find it an easy task to access the wireless network.

"[The] wireless network works fine with my Mac. I don't have to install anything so it is convenient," said Ned Mattimore, a freshman.

One of the reasons why some students need have to re-download the Clean Access Agent is due to the fact that students have to have the most updated version of Clean Access in order to log into the network.

Each time the program is updated, students have to update their computers.

"Clean Access Agent opens up to support many anti-virus programs," said Joe Hutchison, director of user services. "Updates in the anti-virus programs force an update of the Clean Access Agent."

Students' laptops must meet certain requirements in order to access the University's wireless network.

A student can also choose to have limited access or "guest access" into the network, which limits the student to only one hour of Web browsing.

According to Hutchison, the wireless is currently being worked on in several academic buildings.

No specific date can be given for completion but it is scheduled to be finished at one point this semester.

For updates on the progression of the installation of wireless on campus go to:
umw.edu/technology/network/wireless



Food Cart Wheels And Deals

By KRISTYNN SULLIVAN
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Top: The Eagle Express mobile food cart, stationed outside of the Eagles Nest, is open to students. Bottom: Colorful merchandise sits out enticing students to buy.

The Eagle Express mobile food cart is up and running. But not very far.

Originally purchased to cut down on lines in the Eagle's Nest during the lunch rush, the plan was to get the cart mobile by the end of the 2004-2005 school year, according to a September 2004 issue of *The Bulletin*.

Some Eagles Nest employees don't see a difference in the volume of the lunch crowd inside the Eagle's Nest.

However, employees have not seen a change.

"The Nest isn't as busy at lunch as it is at dinner time, but we still have lines," said Alex Mueller, an employee at Stacks Deli in the Eagle's Nest. "It's still pretty crazy."

Angel, one of the Eagle Express Cart's employees, said business "could be better if we could move around campus."

The cart, open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays, serves a variety of ready-to-go food, including subs, sodas, chips, coffee and cookies. A fridge compartment on the cart keeps perishable items fresh.

The cart is immobile because it is plugged into the wall.

For Eagle One cards to be accepted, the cart has to be hooked up to an electric outlet and has to remain where wireless internet is available.

As of right now, according to Angel, Woodard Campus Center is the only place on campus that meets both of these requirements. The school still promises to get the cart moving.

According to the UMW Wireless Initiative Web site, all academic buildings should become wireless during this semester. If this happens, then more exterior power outlets will be needed.

At that point, the cart could make it to the south side of campus.

"We're hoping to be running by the middle of October, but we're at the mercy of other people," said Steve Mangan, the director of dining services.

In the meantime, new experimentations are taking place to boost sales.

According to Mangan, Dollar Thursdays began last week, and the cart offered a variety of products for a dollar.

Mangan said this proved to be a fairly successful marketing tool, and veggie kabobs were the biggest seller.

The dollar menu will be available on every Thursday, even when the cart becomes mobile.

This is a fairly unique idea. Comparably sized colleges such as Christopher Newport University, George Mason University and the College of William & Mary do not have anything like a mobile food cart.

James Madison University, a much larger school, used to have one, but scrapped it years ago because it failed to make a profit.

High Gas Prices Affect Students

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However, the increase of the gas prices is not enough to stop them from driving, although some students are making adjustments to their driving habits.

"Whereas I used to offer to drive my friends a lot, we make sure to switch cars so it's not always the same person driving in order to evenly dent out wallets," said senior Julia Rickey.

In the face of the extra monetary burden, Rickey is still glad she brought her car this year.

"Small, going-around town trips to Chipotle or Blockbuster aren't very taxing," she said.

Rickey is also doing what she can to cover the price increase.

"I'm trying to pick up extra hours in the Wash Room," she said. "All my Wash Room money is going to gas."

Rickey also offers some friendly advice to students to help lower the impact.

"Contribute to whomever's driving, and don't be fast and furious because that'll guzzle your gas faster and you'll be furious," she said.

For other students on campus, the rising cost of gas doesn't affect their car usage.

"I still use it a lot because I need it to visit friends and family," junior Brady DeRemer said. "It doesn't really affect my usage, just my wallet."

DeRemer, too, is glad he brought his car this year. "The benefits and the convenience of it outweigh the cost," he said.

DeRemer also made additional arrangements to pay for his gas bill.

"I saved up a bunch of money over the summer from my job and set some of it aside for gas money," he said. "When that runs out I'll

Tips For Getting Better Gas Mileage:

- Have your car tuned regularly.
- Keep your tires properly inflated.
- Slow down. The faster you drive, the more gasoline your car uses.
- Avoid jackrabbit starts.
- Pace your driving.
- Use your air conditioner sparingly.
- Avoid lengthy engine idling.
- Plan your trips carefully. Combine short trips into one to do all your errands. Avoid traveling during rush hours if possible.

—American Petroleum Institute

to be raised and the price of goods will go up."

According to Stageberg, the cause of rising prices is "primarily demand-driven." However, he adds a bit of optimism that would prove to be encouraging for students.

"My hunch is that unless there's another hurricane, the price at the pump will continue to slide."

According to the American Petroleum Institute Web site, api-ea.org the average national cost of all gasoline is \$3 per gallon as of Sept. 12.

But prices have slid recently—two pipelines that were damaged during Hurricane Katrina are back at full operation and the heavy-travel days of the summer are over.

Even though prices have slid, the east coast is feeling the effects more greatly than the rest of the country.

According to the API Web site, as of Sept. 12, the average per gallon cost for gas on the east coast is \$3.01, whereas the midwest is \$2.89, the Gulf Coast is \$2.81, the Rocky Mountain region is \$2.95 and the West Coast is \$2.97.

Soaring prices were inevitably amplified by Hurricane Katrina.

API representative Juan Palomo said Katrina had "a tremendous effect."

"Nine out of 13 refineries were shutdown in the Gulf Coast. Three pipelines were shutdown, and so was the main port for a good deal of the imported oil for a couple days. Barge traffic from Mexico that delivers crude oil was also stopped."

It wasn't only the gasoline itself that caused a problem Palomo said.

"Electricity was cut to the entire region and all of the refineries rely on that electricity."

have to get a job."

Professor of Economics Stephen Stageberg offered insight into the current gas price situation. He said there are societal pressures that result in rising gas prices.

"If you spend more at the pump, there's less money to spend on other things," Stageberg said. "This leads producers to produce less, and could result in a recession."

He continued to say that rising gas prices "make it more expensive to transport products to market. Fuel costs are 20 percent of total costs [for companies], and so freight charges will have